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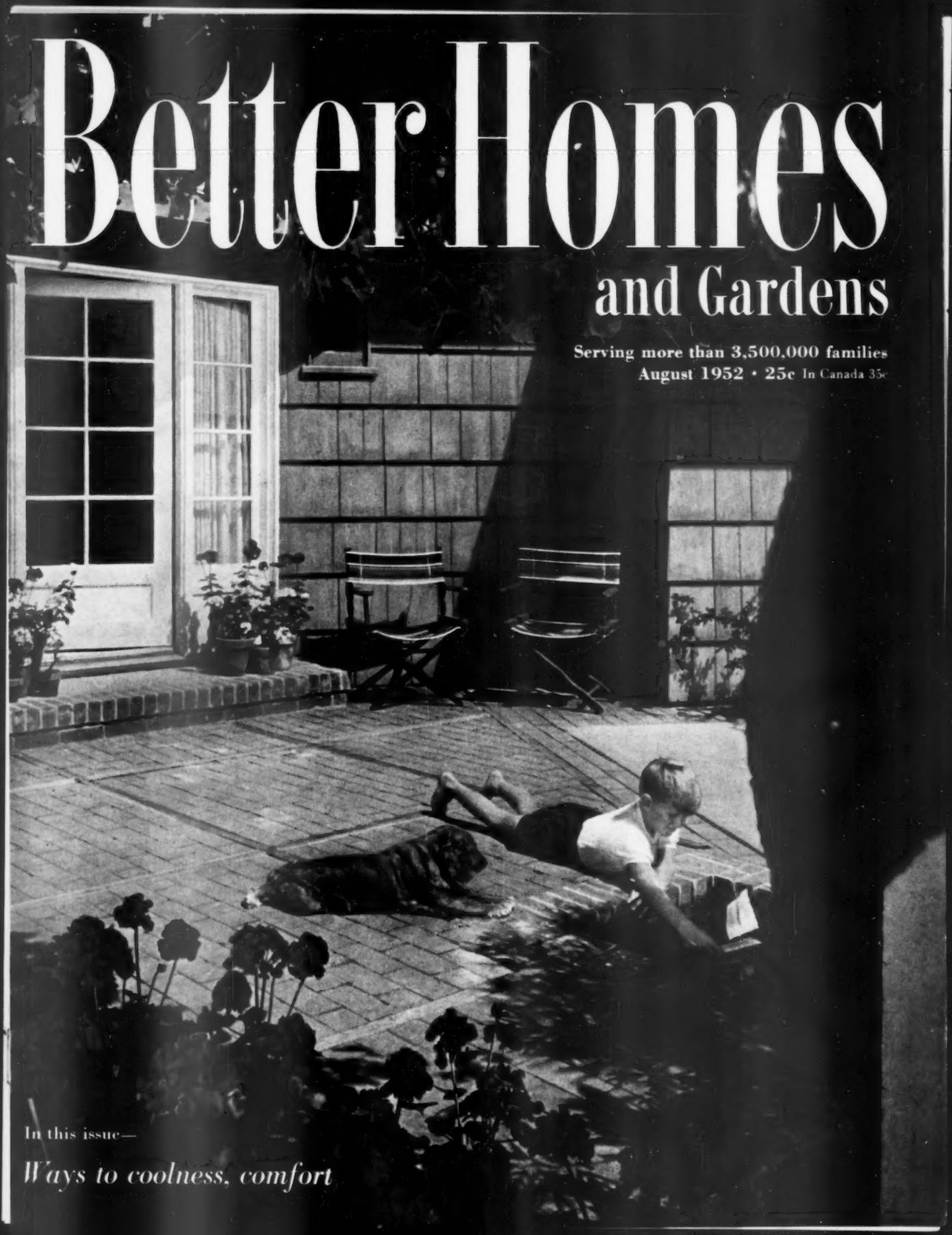

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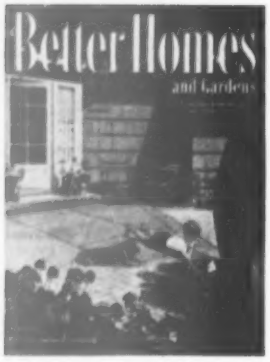

Who could be more relaxed than this boy and the dog that wandered into picture just as the shutter snapped? Pool is one of many summer pleasures at the D. Monroe Hummel home in Laguna Beach, California. See page 41

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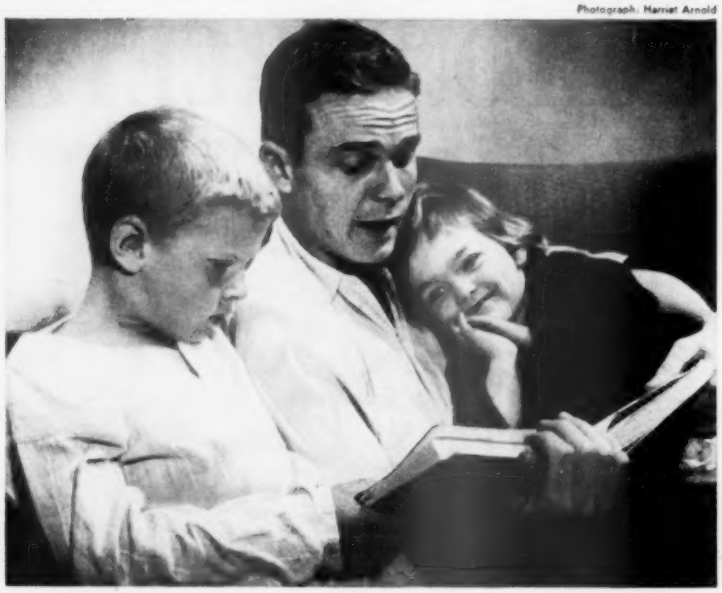

How to build good sleep habits:

- ***A separate room, if possible***
- ***Don't do anything "just this once"***
- ***Keep bed for sleeping only***
- ***Make bedtime pleasant***
- ***Stick to the routine***
- ***A good-night story is an inducement***

By Ruth L. Persner

Before our son was born, my husband and I were frequent spectators (and occasional victims) of the bedtime shenanigans of our friends' young ones. They would finally fall asleep, of course. But their parents would be limp and spent, and a social evening spoiled.

Sam and I made silent resolutions. And we thank our stars that they have really paid off! Donald is now 6, and the soundest sleeper I know—around the clock—7 to 7—in a closed, dark room. Ordinary noises leave him undisturbed. He doesn't stall or fight going to sleep, never gets out of bed after he's tucked in, and rarely awakens during the night unless he is ill.

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1. *Give your youngster his own room* from the beginning, if at all possible. This is worth doing even if it means giving up the only bedroom to Junior, and improvising your own sleeping arrangements in the living room. The results, in privacy and sounder sleep for the whole family, will more than compensate for any change in the appearance of your living room.

2. *Avoid starting any pattern that you don't want to continue.* In the first crucial weeks, a new mother is likely to center all her energies on accomplishing each specific task. Each feeding, airing, or nap becomes all-important. Astounding ingenuity is used to achieve the immediate (rather than long-term) result, and any method is considered all right *as long as it works.*

Actually, any number of methods will work. Yet they're not all equally desirable. Habits will form no matter what you do—but what you do will determine what *kinds* of habits Junior will acquire. It makes good sense, therefore, to bend all your efforts in the direction you would like them to take permanently.

For instance, the first time you're tempted to start bouncing the carriage because a nap is overdue—think twice! Ask yourself, "Is this something I want to encourage?" And if the answer is "no," don't do it.

3. *Bed should be "for sleeping only."* Many babies are in their cribs the greater part of every day and night. It's [*Turn to page 131*

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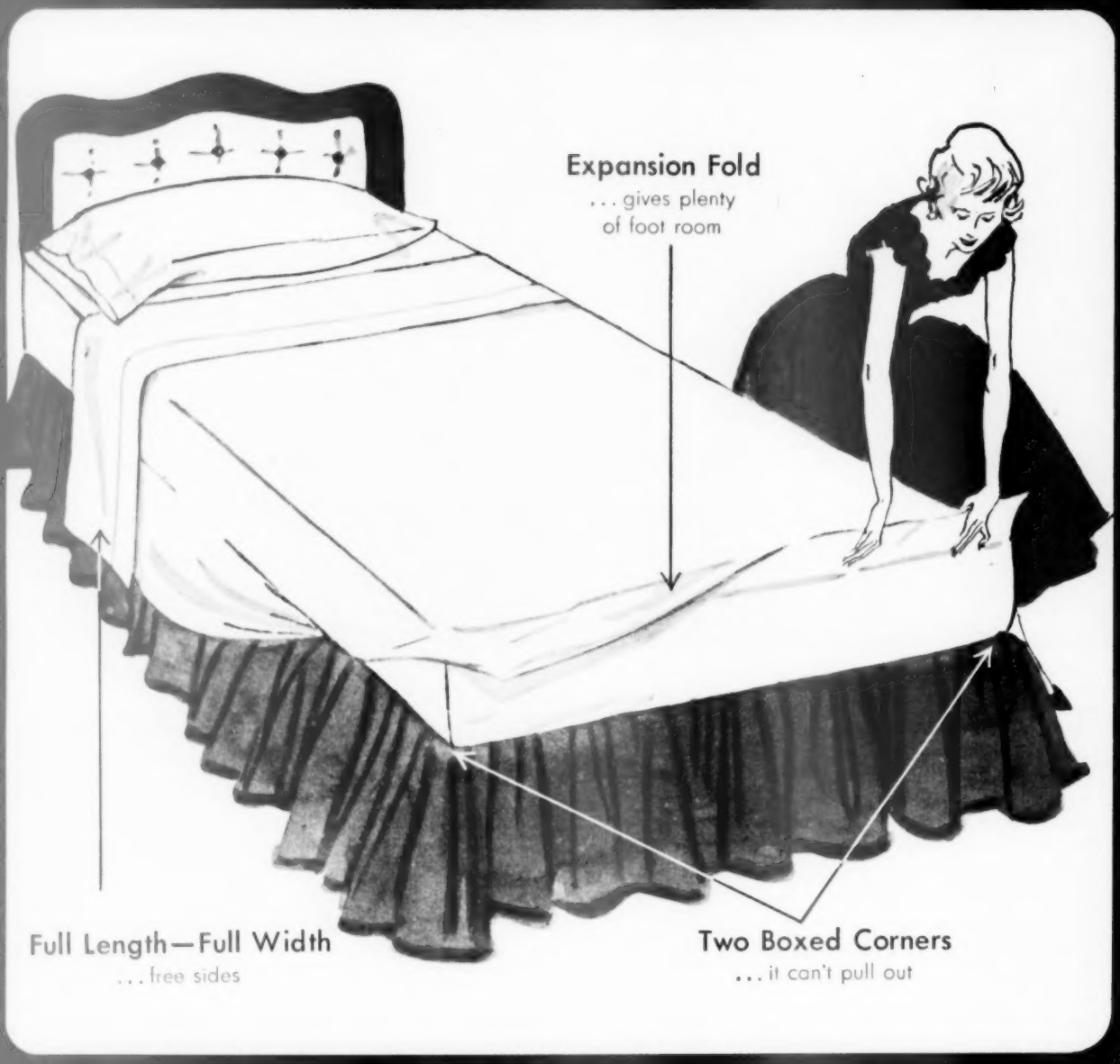

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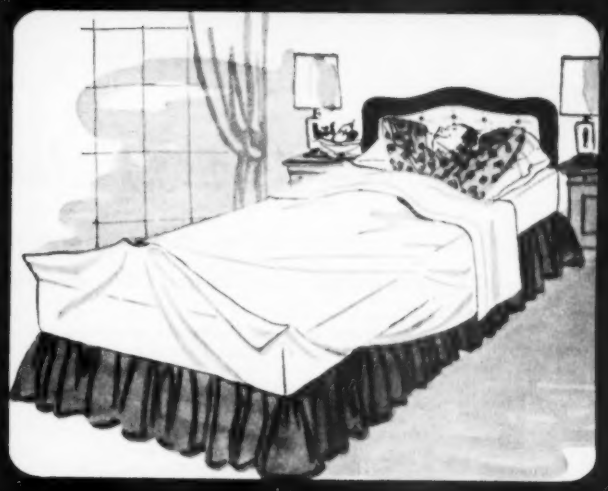

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You're a lucky person if you have "conversation pieces" like the row of antique measures ranged along the top of this chest. They are nicely balanced by the two chunky candlesticks. Notice the texture contrast afforded by pine, pewter, brass, and shiny green ivy

This dining room gets full-time use. It's a pleasant place to read, or for the children to do their homework. That window shelf is covered with tile. You don't have to be afraid to put potted plants down there. The George E. Hochstein home, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

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"BEST BRAKES WE'VE TESTED TO DATE," says A.J. White of Motor Vehicle Research

The revealing test pictured on this page was conducted by Motor Vehicle Research of Epping, New Hampshire, an *independent* automotive research laboratory, exclusively for Science and Mechanics Magazine.

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WHAT'S NEW

in home furnishings?

Now that summer's half over, it's a good time to take stock of your porch and outdoor living areas. Think back over the parties and family fun you've had the last few weeks, and see if there's anything which would make outdoor living easier and more comfortable.

Want to be cooler? Then shut out the sun—with awnings, blinds, or shades. Even though you have an air conditioner, it's wise to protect the windows. And never have we seen such variety in window shades! Some have a textured, tweedy weave; even plastic shades have a linen-like surface. There are wood slats and bamboo strips in many colors and weights—some on spring rollers like a window shade, others hung like traverse draperies. And don't feel that you need a slick new house to use them—they are face lifters for any home.

Most shades cut out the glare and the neighbors, but if you want to shut out every twinkle of light for daytime napping, there are black-out shades with the side facing the street in a light neutral color. Or if you want to control light and admit breezes, too, choose Venetian blinds. Awning materials are being improved by chemistry, so they'll resist sunfading, mildew, and salt air. But awning *styles* are the change you'll notice most. So don't limit your daydreaming to the usual sloping, scalloped window covers—go ahead and plan a picnic room or a patio using fabric laced to a metal pipe frame.

Leave furniture out in the rain? Sure, if you've picked the newer pieces that are weatherproof. But if every shower sends you scampering after "outdoor furniture" that really belongs under a porch roof, better think before buying more. And if you are short of chairs, consider comfortable folding armchairs of metal or wood which can be used next winter for card parties or TV crowds.

Tired of carrying supplies to your outdoor eating spot? Maybe you can store some things right there! Have you a dust- and waterproof place to tuck away the toaster, the napkins, and the well-covered sugar bowl? And how about a wheeled cart? If you eat on a covered porch, there are buffets and cabinets of bamboo. But even a hand-me-down chest in a new coat of paint will save you steps.

Do you like to read in the cool of evening? Then don't overlook electrical outlets and lamps on your porch. Consider pinups which can't blow over. Or look for lamps which are combined with small, glass-topped metal tables.

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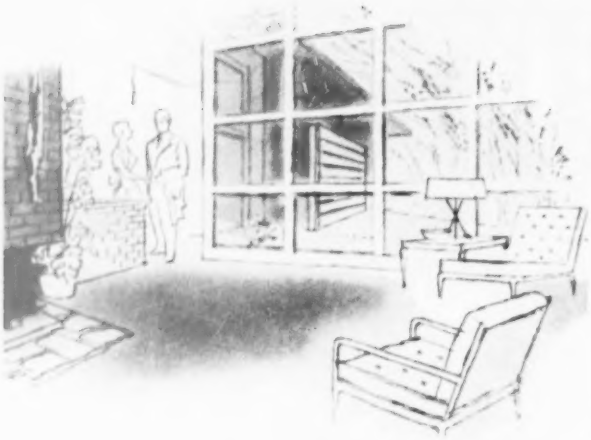
Like good ideas costing under a dollar? Try these: Buy bug-repellent light bulbs so you can read without a horde of gnats round your head. Or put a set of casters on an old table to make a serving cart—but measure it first to be sure it will scoot through your door. Get an extra set of salt and pepper shakers for your outdoor eatspot, and cut down on all those trips back to the kitchen.



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SPARK PLUGS

Your kitchen should

By Marion Winter

Before. Picture yourself in this kitchen: Clear the table, wash the dishes, shine 'em, and put 'em away. Any way you figure, you'd take a lot of unnecessary steps doing just this *one* kitchen job

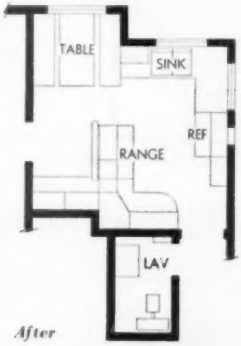
Photographs: Suter, Hedrich-Blessing, Kranzten Studio

After. New dishwasher handy to the table, to the sink, and the cabinets has cut steps practically to nothing. Wonderful counter space gives elbowroom to the cook at the sink and to the cook making the salad near the big, roomy refrigerator. Everybody has a sunny view

let you relax

If you plan your kitchen with worksaving in mind and decorate it to make your work fun, you'll have the kitchen you long for. Evidence is here. This beautiful, remodeled kitchen is the pride and joy of Dr. and Mrs. Martin Seifert of Wilmette, Illinois, and their five children

The plan of the old kitchen: Unhandy, unglamorous; you might say, quite *unplanned!*



New plan by Karl G. Knobel: Handy, spacious, lovely, as you can see in the pictures

After. Six-unit range makes cooking the fun it should be. Shelf back of range is a serving counter handy to the table. The farm wallpaper is green, yellow, red; easy-to-clean aluminum tile above counters, dark green; table top and counters, pearl gray; chairs, green. Curtains are white sheeting

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Your kitchen should let you relax

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Before. **The closed door led downstairs. Old refrigerator hid in the pantry which kept supplies well out of reach of where they were to be used**

Before. **Butler's pantry held dishes, linen, glassware. This is your last glimpse of the old kitchen. No handy spot to put things was most glaring fault**

After. **The crowded look of the old kitchen has disappeared. The unused wall, pictured top of page, now has big refrigerator flanked by cabinets. Note counter space, wood cutting surface left of range. See counter-top pass-through at the end of the range, where dishes can be scooted through**

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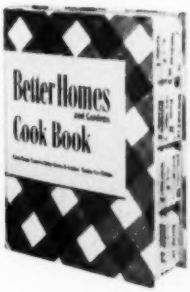

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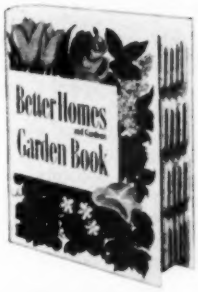

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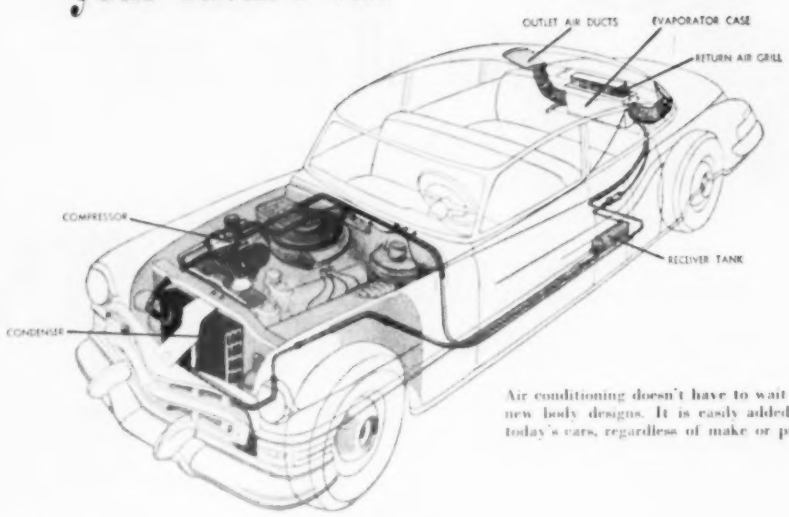
How air conditioning will work in your future car

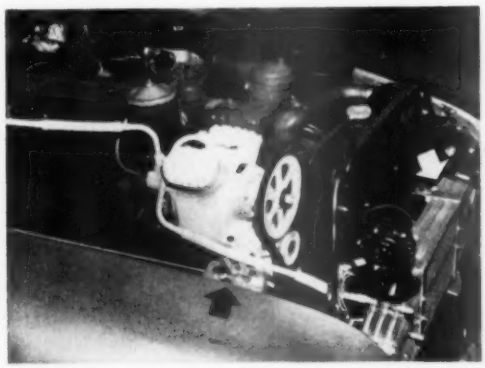


Air conditioning doesn't have to wait for new body designs. It is easily added to today's cars, regardless of make or price

By James M. Liston

If you've been wondering when they're going to offer air conditioning (*refrigerated* air) for automobiles, the answer is, *it's here.* As you might expect, air-conditioning systems are being manufactured in Texas where summer heat is the incentive and where the price doesn't discourage wealthy oilmen. The price (installed) for most late-model cars is about $700, but one company is preparing to offer a unit for low-priced cars that can be installed for $400. At this writing, none of the major auto manufacturers are planning to offer air conditioning as optional equipment installed at the factory, but when that comes about, the price can probably be scaled down.

If you're interested in how, with the flick of a switch, you'll be able to cool off a car that's been parked in the sun for hours, you'll find the answer in the design shown in the accompanying drawing. The system consists of a condenser, compressor, refrigerant, evaporator, and two blowers. The belt-driven compressor operates off the motor and doesn't appreciably reduce engine horsepower. Basically that's [*Turn to page 20*



Belt-driven compressor (1) draws gaseous refrigerant from evaporator (cooling unit) behind rear seat, compresses it, and discharges it into condenser coils (2), where it is changed back to liquid. Compressor does not interfere with power steering on new cars

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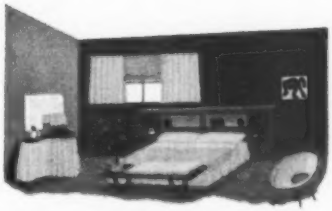

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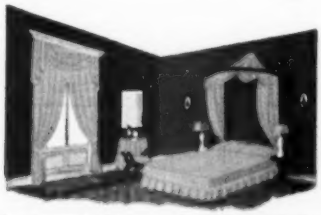

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Air conditioning in your future car

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Evaporator and blower housing is mounted behind rear seat, takes little trunk space. Only switch panel on dashboard and air ducts are visible in the interior of the car; the system operates quietly

what you'll get in your air-conditioned car of the future.

Cooling an automobile is more difficult than cooling a home because the large exposed surfaces compare unfavorably with the relatively small cubic content of the space to be cooled. But refrigeration units have performed excellently in dry desert heat and in humid areas. Air-conditioned cars are in use in Mexico, South America, the Philippines, and Africa. How well does it operate under severe conditions? One Texas motorist reports:

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Businessmen with air-conditioned cars point out that they arrive at their destination clean and well pressed. When you drive with the windows closed, you're not battered with bugs or deafened by the roar of the wind. Biggest boon may be that air-conditioning will cool off hot-headed drivers before they go too far.

On looking back

When you are meditating on
The evils of men's present ways
And tempted to look back upon
What you regard as good old days,
The world you knew some time ago,
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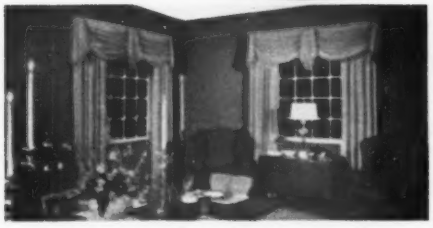

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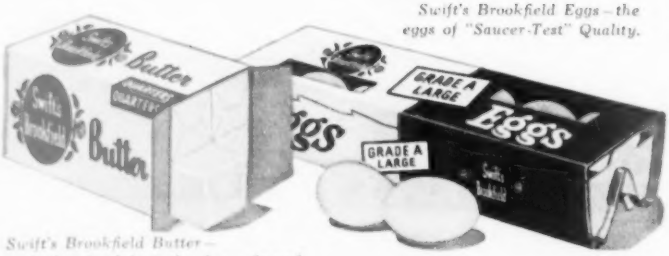

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You can use your hobby

- *for brightening a wall*
- *for framing a window*
- *for decorating a room*

By Georgia Lee

There are many ways in which your hobby can help you decorate. And, because it reflects your own interest, it can give your home that hard-to-get, personal touch.

But you should be cautious. There are right ways and there are wrong ways to decorate with your hobby. There are no definite rules, however—just keep in mind that your collection should do a distinct decorating job for you. It should *belong* with the room, and not look like a haphazard accumulation of "stuff." Check over the pictures on these pages for some of the good ways to decorate with your hobby.

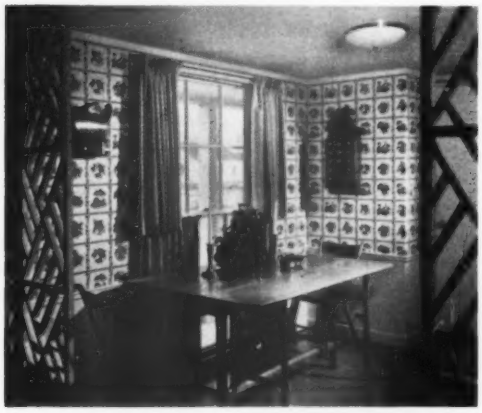
Photographs: Suter, Hedrich-Blessing

Do you wonder what to do with a lot of little things? Combine them into one big, emphatic accent for a striking effect. White objects stand out against a dark background, especially when they're partitioned off, each in its own shadow box.

In this picture, shaving mugs sit in an old-fashioned barber-shop rack. On top, the plant and the china dogs help to soften the stiffness of the geometric design.

Shelves, framing a window or a doorway, are a good setting for a hobby. Here, a collection of china and columns of books make a decorative treatment for a bay window. If you display china on a shelf this high, remember that people will notice the arrangement of shapes more than they will the actual design on the dishes

Your hobby can create an atmosphere. In this case, pewter and china collections are displayed in an old pine cupboard. They give an Early American look to an eating nook that is part of a sleek, up-to-date kitchen. The narrow, latticed panels are all that separate the two areas. To make the change in atmosphere less abrupt, the same wallpaper pattern is used in both areas



Little accents do a big job in helping you accomplish your decorating theme. On the wall of the eating nook, a kerosene lamp and a spice cabinet emphasize the Early American idea.

But, too, notice that the wall accents, although small, are still large and solid enough to hold their own against the patterned wallpaper, while smaller objects might be lost. From the Wendell Clark home in Northfield, Illinois. Builder: C. E. Blomgern, Jr.

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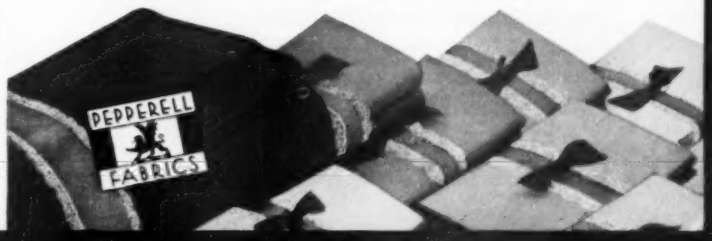

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HOW-TO

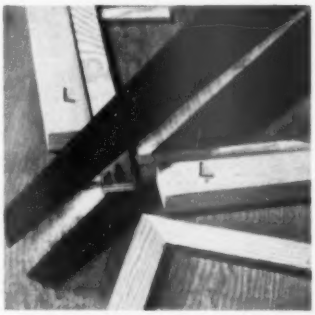
for the handyman

Leg art. A curved chair leg that has worked loose at the crossboard dowels is easy to glue, but a problem to clamp.

Remedy: Lay chair on piece of scrap, and pencil-trace the rounded surface of the leg. Cut on line with a jig saw.

You now have an edge that will fit the curve of the chair, and the outside edge is straight to hold securely in clamp.

Frank Otto
Cleveland, Ohio



On the square. It's easy to make picture frames that fit perfectly in each corner without a miter box. Cut three lengths of ¾-inch board and nail them at right angles to each other on your bench.

Now take frame pieces and overlap as shown. Make diagonal cut where edges of pieces meet. Since they're made at the same time, you will end up with a perfect miter.

Herbert Fey
New Braunfels, Texas

Photographs: Stanley

Close scrape. That rubber kitchen scraper is very useful in transferring paint from one container to another.

The flexible blade is handy for stirring and does away with waste of paint.

Best of all, it gives you a good reason not to use your good brushes for the job.

Richard Mills
Bergenfield, New Jersey

A cutting re-mark. When marking boards for sawing, always pencil a heavy arrow on the waste side at the point of your final line.

This will remind you on which side of the line to saw, and will quickly identify the right cutting line in case several have been marked during your measurement.

John Webster
Des Moines, Iowa

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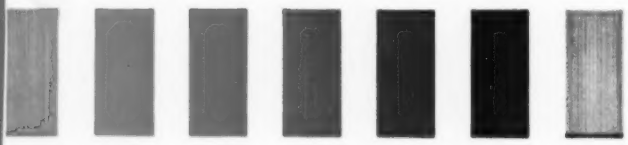

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How-to for the handyman

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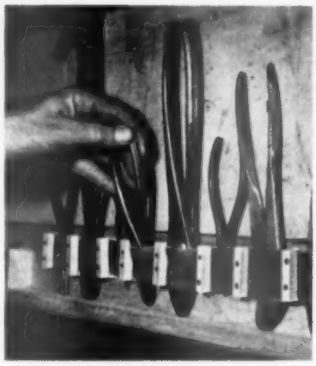
Screen test. Window screens are no job to hang or remove when hooked from inside.

Insert a hook nine inches from top of side frames on each screen. At the center of bottom frame, put in another hook for three-way security.

Once corresponding eyes are set in window casings, you can handle screens easily.

Martha Kitchen
Kansas City, Missouri



An odds-on favorite. This holder is made to order for odd-sized and cluttersome tools. On the wall above workbench, fasten a strip of inner tube as shown.

Space wooden blocks about two inches apart — allowing more bow for bulky tools like pliers than for your flatter chisels. Blocks keep rubber from tearing, and tools remain firmly in place.

Murray Maier
Salt Lake City, Utah

Cushy job. This rubber-surfaced block makes a handy cushion for sharpening small tools or filing your hard-to-hold pieces of metal.

A scrap of old inner tube tacked to a 2x4 block slip-proofs your work and raises it for easy filing. A piece of leather also does the job.

Hugh Lineback
Stillwater, Oklahoma

Bottle scours. Don't throw away those empty window-spray bottles. Refilled with turpentine or kerosene, they can be mighty useful items around home or shop.

A squirt or two from the bottle will clean hands that are soiled with paint or grease.

The handy sprayer turned on tools also offers a way to clean them up in a jiffy.

Stan Bjorkland
Loves Park, Illinois

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NEWEST car under the sun!

Here's the '52 Ford Sunliner—Queen of the Convertibles! Touch a button and the top raises in seconds to give you the snugness of a closed car. Choose from 12 body colors, 9 top and upholstery combinations! Car illustrated is Alpine Blue with interior trim of blue leather and vinyl.

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It's what happens to hills, back-country roads—yes, to your entire set of ideas about cars—when you handle this eager stepper.

Ford "can do"—it's what comes from the most powerful engine in its field—110 high-compression horsepower—V-8 style! It's the extra dividend of comfort assured by Ford's own Automatic Ride Control . . . the easy, unruffled passage even over the roughest roads, the level rounding of curves.

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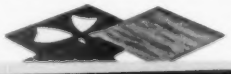

How-to for the handyman

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Flapacity. Cardboard cartons make handy trash boxes for workshop, garage, or garden cleanup campaigns.

To get the full capacity of such cartons, fasten the four flaps upright as shown, with pieces of rope or twine.

Note cutout "handles" in flaps for easy carrying.

Andrew Vona
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Awl out. You can feel your way through the width of a 4- or 6-inch board with an emergency drill of steel wire.

Drill as far through as you can with a bit of the size desired, then complete the hole with a flattened, pointed steel wire, in your brace or drill.

Now you can come back from the opposite edge with your conventional bit.

C. G. Popple
Watertown, New York

Sleeve canyon. A drill press isn't the only answer to boring straight holes in a round, narrow piece of wood. You can do the job accurately using an auger or hand drill.

Fasten a paper sleeve to the wood with a rubber band. Make sure the sleeve protrudes a couple of inches. By sighting down over the brace and keeping the bit dead center, you can't go wrong.

Charles Walker
South Portland, Maine

Emergency landing. When tools and jobs begin stacking several lanes high on your workbench, it's good to have an emergency landing field.

A sheet of plywood or of heavy corrugated cardboard placed on laundry tubs will give you extra working space for the project at hand.

H. H. Schwardt
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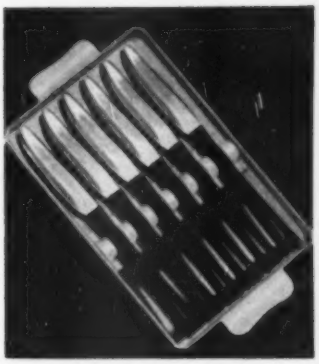

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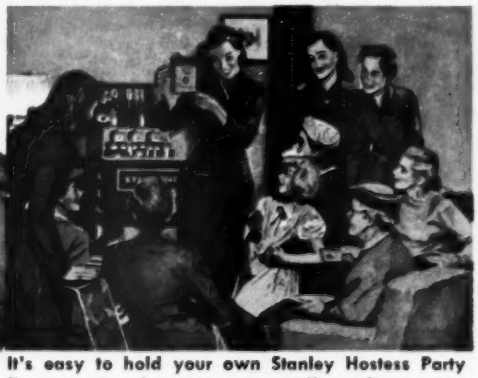

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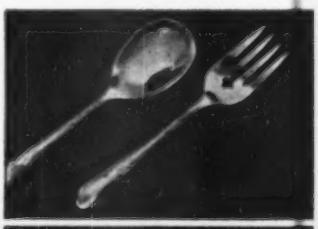

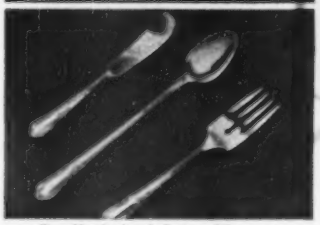

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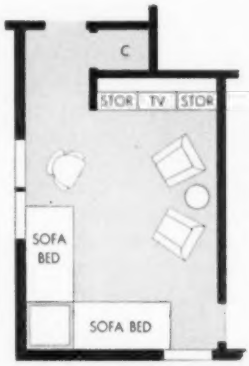
A living room for parents

By Ruth W. Lee

When the teen-agers take over the living room, Mom and Dad need a quiet place to read, talk, or watch television with their own friends. A second living room or den is desirable, but you can't afford that. Yet you *can* furnish your bedroom to look like—and act like—a living room. Keep clear of ruffles and colors and fabrics that look "bedroomy." Use a spacesaving arrangement of sofa beds like this, add a couple of easy chairs, and you've got living-room comfort in an average-size bedroom.



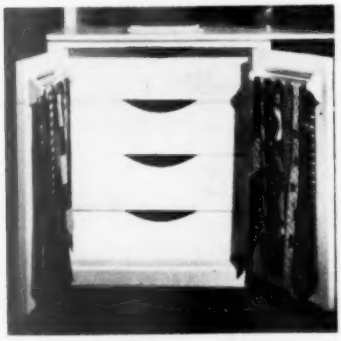
Corner arrangement of beds opens up floor space in room

A living-room-style breakfront is built around the TV set in this bedroom. Behind the louvered doors on either side of set are chests of drawers for clothes storage. Walls are papered in a blue-and-white Provincial pattern

Photographs: Hedrich-Blessing

The easy-on, easy-off, sturdy blue denim covers are tailored for twin sofa beds. Plump the pillows behind you for an evening of TV. Big, square table was made by home handyman to fit this corner arrangement; it has a second shelf for magazines. The Albert H. Scherb home, Northbrook, Illinois

Close-up of breakfront shows the drawers for clothes storage, hidden behind the louvered cabinets. Notice the handy tie racks on doors



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Rub-on repellents

Killing agent	Effective against	How to apply
Ethylhexanediol	Mosquitoes, chiggers, flies, gnats	Shake repellent into hand; rub hands together. Smooth on all exposed skin. Wipe hands dry on socks and along shoulders.
Dimethyl phthalate	Mosquitoes, chiggers	Rub on skin, clothing.
Indalone	Flies	Rub on skin, clothing.
Mixture (3 parts dimethyl phthalate, 1 part indalone, 1 part ethylhexanediol)	Mosquitoes, flies, chiggers, ticks, fleas, gnats	Rub liquid or cream between hands. Massage into skin of face, neck, ears, and arms. Spray or rub on socks, inside cuffs, and shoelace openings for tick and chigger protection.
Piperonyl butoxide and pyrethrins combination	Mosquitoes, chiggers, flies, gnats	Apply lotion to all exposed skin.

Outdoor-indoor sprays and dusts

Insect pest	What to use	How to apply
Mosquitoes	Lindane spray or dust combinations. Or insecticide bomb containing pyrethrins, methoxychlor, piperonyl butoxide, and/or DDT.	Spray terrace, outside eating areas before use. Or dust ground with lindane-methoxychlor combination. Spray screens, walls, porches until wet.
Houseflies	Lindane, methoxychlor, or DDT as wettable powders or oil emulsions. Or insecticide bomb.	Use sprays outdoors, insecticide bombs inside to avoid stains. Paint inside edges of windows on sunny side of house with lindane. Spray garbage containers and compost heaps thoroughly.
Ants	Chlordane or lindane.	Use 2 percent chlordane emulsion indoors, chlordane or lindane sprays or dusts outdoors. Apply around house foundation, on infested lawn areas. Wash in. For spot control, wash emulsion down craters.
Chiggers	Hydrogenated rotenone bomb, lindane, or wettable chlordane powder. Or sulfur.	Spray shoes and outer clothing with rotenone bomb. Spray or dust play areas, lawn, trees, tall plants in infested areas with lindane or other control.
Ticks	Hydrogenated rotenone bomb, lindane, or DDT.	Spray shoes and outer clothing with rotenone bomb. Spray or dust outdoors with lindane or DDT.
Fleas	Lindane or methoxychlor spray or dust. Or insecticide bomb.	Spray or dust all surfaces in infested places outdoors. Use insecticide bomb to fog enclosed areas. Dust dogs, cats, other pets with methoxychlor.
Spiders	Chlordane in emulsion, lindane, or DDT. Or insecticide bomb.	Spray webs and places spiders frequent.
Wasps	DDT, methoxychlor, piperonyl butoxide, or pyrethrins in combination.	Dust or spray nests at dusk. Use insecticide bomb in enclosed space.
Gnats	Lindane, methoxychlor, or DDT spray or dust. Or insecticide bomb.	Spray or dust all surfaces in infested places outdoors. Use insecticide bomb to fog enclosed areas.

USE THIS PAGE for ready reference. It's a summary of the latest, most effective ways you can rid your place of mosquitoes, houseflies, ants, chiggers, ticks, fleas, spiders, wasps, and gnats. Also newest rub-on repellents

How much you use and enjoy the outdoors in summer depends largely (*zinngg*) on how soon the mosquitoes drive you indoors (*slap*) in the evening, and the extent to which you and your family are plagued by other biting and stinging insects (*scratch*). It boils down to that.

But you can have a pest-free summer if you'll take the trouble to carry out a three-point program on your home place. This is what such a program involves:

1. Eliminate potential insect breeding places. Keep your weeds cut, and get rid of any trash that might protect parasites over winter.

To rid your place of mosquitoes, empty containers that hold water, free stopped-up roof gutters, drain places where water stands. Change the water frequently if you have birdbaths or a swimming pool. Keep your fish pond, if any, stocked with fish so mosquito larvae are eaten.

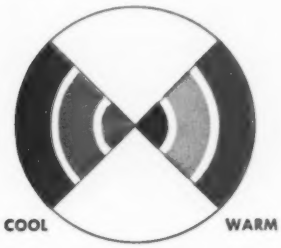
2. Arm yourself with the latest chemical formulations on the market. They work against a wide range of insect pests, and are prepared and packaged for quick, easy use.

3. For comfort that's longer lasting, by all means cooperate with civic or neighborhood dusting or fogging projects in your vicinity—in addition to any controls [*Turn to page 142*

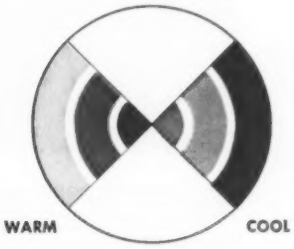
How to use color in decorating

by Marion Palmer
Modern Living Consultant

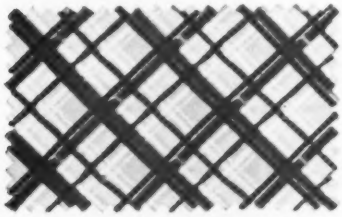
Color is one of your best friends in decorating. All colors are either warm (red, orange, yellow—"sunlight" colors) or cool (blue, green—"restful"). Combine colors that are opposites, and you can cool a too-sunny room, or warm a cold one.



Here we have selected the complementary color green for the basic warm brown and red in the kitchen shown at the right. The *more liberally* we use it, the cooler we make our warm August kitchen.



For winter, use a warm color for furnishings and accessories. Here, the basic color, blue, suggests the warm yellow and brown shown in the swatch of Plastron's "Ranch House" pattern below.



Plastron "Ranch House" pattern comes in gold, wine, gray and green. Matched ensembles include tailored drape (with attached valance 81" wide; in 54", 72", or 90" lengths), tablecloths (54" x 54" or 54" x 72"). Also available in yard goods.

"Ranch House" ensemble by **plastron, inc.**, 419 Fourth Ave., New York

How to cool an August kitchen

with Plastron accessories made of Ultron

It's really very *easy*, and inexpensive, to cool a warm summer kitchen. You can do it with your accessories.

Here, large cool-color areas are achieved with a *complete* plastic kitchen ensemble in the cooling, soothing green and gray that soften the warmth of your basic color combination. It's as easy as that.

The "easy" doesn't stop there, though, for a Plastron ensemble, made of Monsanto's Ultron vinyl film, is also "easy" to clean (with only a damp cloth), and "easy" to keep looking fresh and bright. An ensemble like this (draperies, tablecloth, chair back covers and chair cushions, shelving and edging) is "easy" on your purse, too—you can give your kitchen a brand new look for less than $10!

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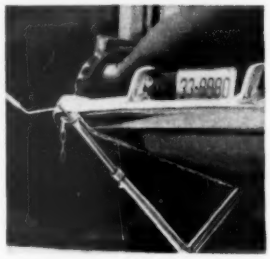
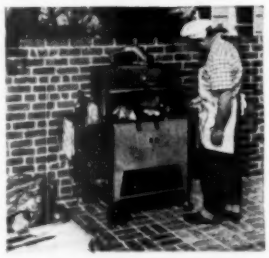


Jack lifts both car axle and bumper at the same time, making the tire easily accessible for changing. When car is resting on the cradle of the triangle jack, it cannot move or roll on even the steepest hill. *Triangle Miracle Chain Jack*, $10.95, at dealers. Triangle Jack Co., Inc., 1208 S. Washington, Wichita, Kans.

Portable field house can be dismounted and carried indoors to set up for the winter. As a climber and exerciser, the miniature gym has four ladders plus sidepieces, and three crossbars on the top for arm and leg exercising. A top deck, that can easily be lifted in place, turns the field house into a shelter for parties inside or gatherings on the roof. Finished in dark green exterior enamel with blonde ladders. When set up, it measures 4'x4'x4'. *Handy Dandy Field House*, $29.50, ppd. Linnwood Mfg. Co., Seward, Nebr.



Man-size barbecue has every known device for making outdoor cooking a pleasure. Men can really cook when given a businesslike firebox, seven motor-driven spits that turn the meat just the way they want it, and a barbecue that's spotless, durable chrome throughout. Has a stainless-steel hood and warming oven, large service tray, two chrome towel bars, two cutting boards. Baffle-tray mounted just over the fire, helps distribute the heat and drains off drippings. *Big Boy Portable Barbecue*, $299.95, in in stores. Shine-Boy Mfg. Co., 59 E. Orange Grove Ave., Burbank, Calif.

Dream house for the youngsters is wired for electricity and has a big front picture window. Wood house has two coats of white paint, with shutters, trellis, flower planter, and shingled roof. Finished inside with red plywood-paneled walls, and floor is covered with cowboy-print linoleum. Playhouse is 6' wide, 8' long, $5\frac{1}{2}$' tall. *Wee Wadsworth Playhouse*, $295, in stores. Wadsworth Homes, Inc., 2949 Chrysler Road, Kansas City, Kans.

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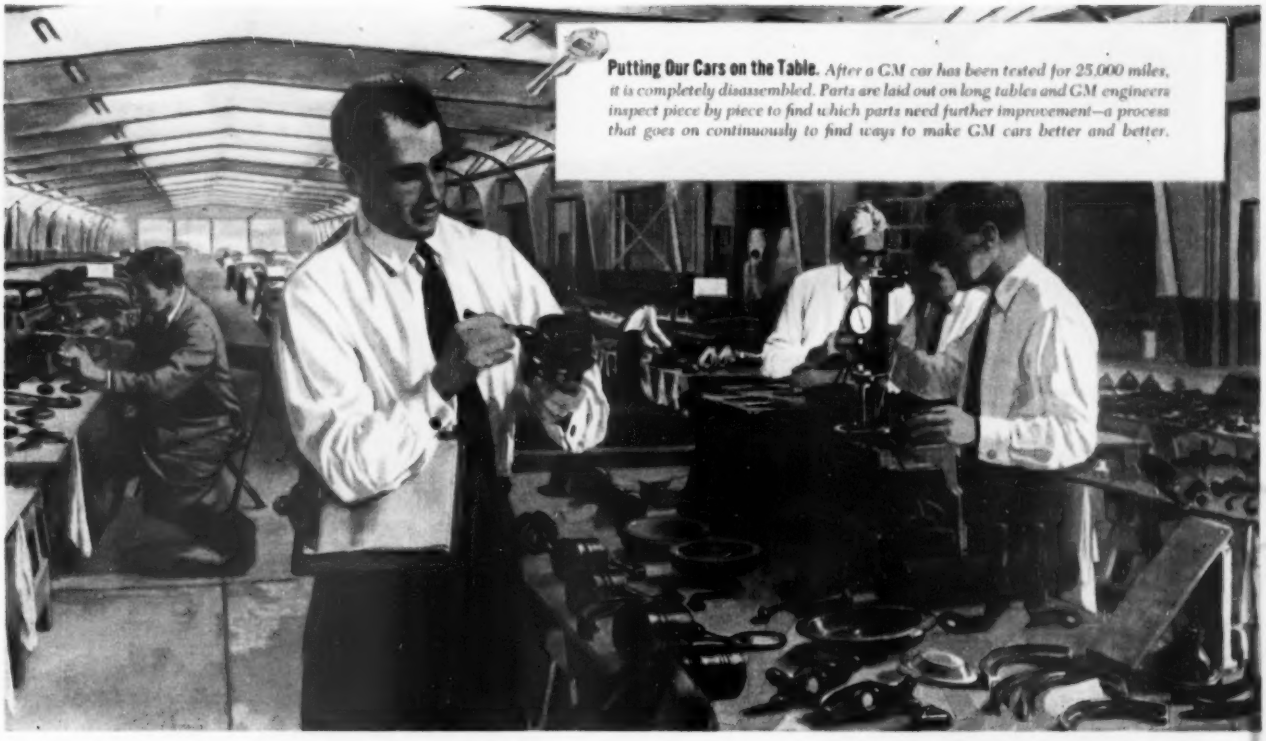

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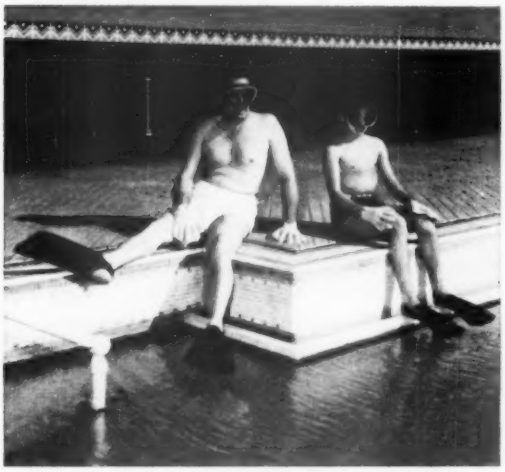
New ways to get in the swim

Here's some of this year's new water play equipment which makes swimming a lot of fun for everyone in your whole family. You can have a real pool in your back yard for $275, or you can inflate a small one for the kiddies at a cost of $7. And when you take the youngsters to the community pool, make it a real funfest with the new "Frogman" type of swimming gear.



Swimming is different from what it used to be down at the ol' hole. Now, when you're powered with fin feet and webbed latex gloves, you'll slice through the water like a seal. Puts zip into a dog paddle and makes swimming fun even if you're only a "floater."

Web feet, latex gloves, and diving masks are made in "giant" and "baby" sizes. *Little Web Feet*, $4.95; *Standard Adjustable Web Feet*, $6.95; *Senior Web Feet*, $8.95. Youngster's *Aqua-Champ Dive Mask*, $1.95; adult's *Aqua-Lure Dive Mask*, $2.95; *Web Gloves*, $2.50. Healthways, 3669 Seventh Ave., Los Angeles 18, California.

All set for a submarine dive, this youngster wears a Honolulu Swim Pipe which lets swimmer stay just under the surface of the water to look around. You get air through the curved tube which projects above the surface.

Attached to the goggles, which are especially shaped for small faces, is the new Aqua-Muff which keeps water out of the ears.

Honolulu Swim Pipe, $3.95; *Junior Gog*, 79c; *Aqua-Muff* (rubber ear guard), $1. Healthways, 3669 Seventh Ave., Los Angeles 18, California.

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"There is NOTHING like my Vichyssoise!"

"OH, NO? Have you tasted my Onion Soup?"

VICHYSSOISE PIERRE

4 leeks, slice fine (use white part only)
1 medium onion, sliced fine
5 medium potatoes, sliced
1 quart chicken broth
2 cups milk
2 cups medium cream
1 cup heavy cream
2 tablespoons butter

Cook onion and leeks together in butter. When they begin to be translucent (not browned), add sliced potatoes and chicken broth. Add salt to taste. Boil 35 minutes. Rub through sieve. Return purée to the fire and add 2 cups milk and 2 cups medium cream. Cool. When cold, add 1 cup heavy cream, chill. Serves 8.

MRS. MARTIN'S ONION SOUP

4 large onions, sliced very thin
2 tablespoons butter
4 cups brown stock
4 circles hard, buttered toast
½ cup dry, grated Parmesan cheese

Brown onions slightly in butter; add stock and cook 20 minutes. Place toast in heated soup bowls; pour soup over and sprinkle with cheese. Canned consommé may be substituted for brown stock. Serves 4 to 6.

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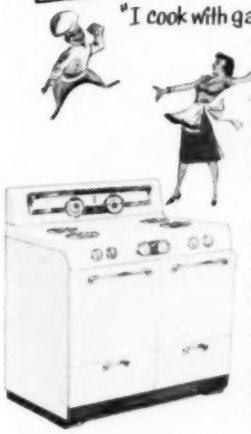

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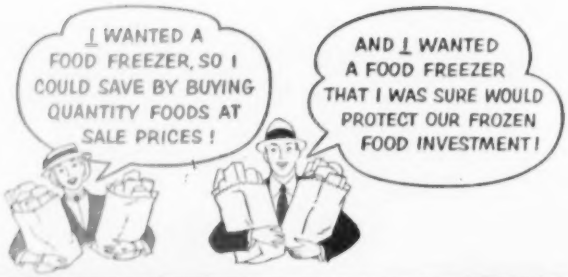


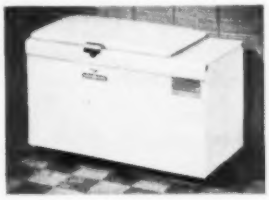
To really look into a food freezer you can't just lift the lid!

A FOOD FREEZER is certainly part of modern living. It's your own personal super-market at home, filled to the brim with wonderful, healthful eating, bought in many instances at money-saving sale prices. But, just because your freezer will mean so much to you, be *sure* you buy the best. Don't just look inside, but look for the inside story!

A Look for rugged construction! And Frigidaire wins, hands down. For Frigidaire has had over a quarter century of experience in building more than half a million low-temperature food cabinets. Frigidaire Food Freezers can't buckle, can't warp under the weight of hundreds of pounds of food. The tight-sealed lid locks out humidity that causes icing. And wrap-around freezing coils on all sides *and the bottom* distribute equal cold to every corner of the cabinet.

B Look for extra insulation! You'll find it in Frigidaire—to the fullest degree. Frigidaire insulation is thicker—better packed—completely sealed against both inside and outside moisture. Can't waterlog, expand, or leak heat or cold.

C Look for cold-making power! Only Frigidaire has the Meter-Miser—simplest, most economical cold-making mechanism ever built—with more reserve power than you'll ever need. So—see your Frigidaire Dealer—let him tell you about the Frigidaire Food Freezer—your super-market at home.



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New ways to get in the swim

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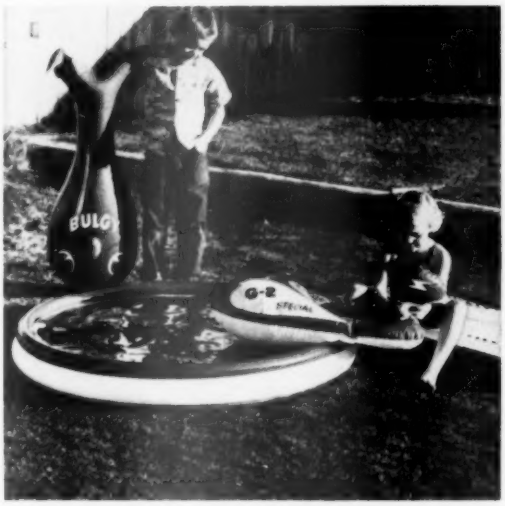
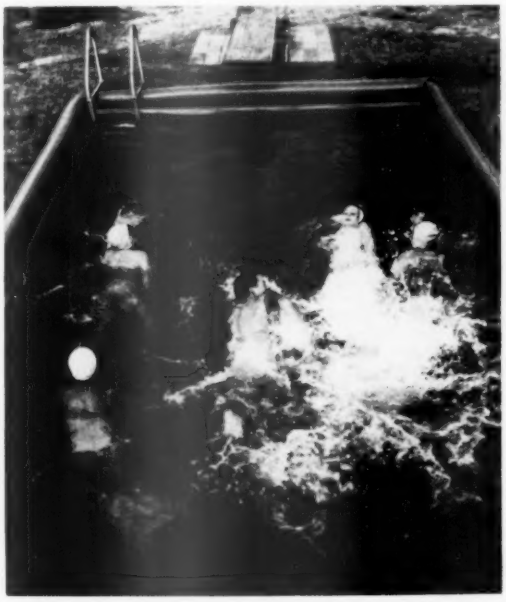


Blow-up floating toys for the children are big as the kiddies are, and feather-light. Fill the wading pool with cool water for dog-days fun. Floatable air mattress also serves as a comfortable lawn lounge.

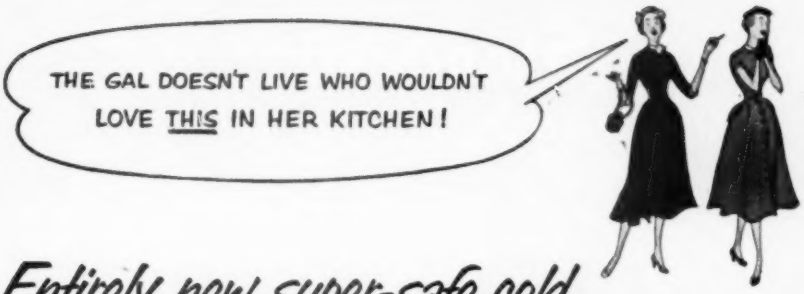
"Bulgy the Whale" spouts water when you press his head, is one of a great variety of swimming animals available in the inflatable plastic.

Young lady is looking over a blow-up "speedboat" that she can wear around her waist when she goes swimming in a big pool. *G-2 Special Speedboat*, $2.50; *Bulgy*, $2.25; *Wading Pool*, 4-foot, $7; *Aqua-Mat*, $5. Doughboy Industries, Inc., New Richmond, Wisconsin.



This pool is 3 feet deep at one end, 5 feet at the other, and there's plenty of room to get up swimming speed in its 27-foot length.

Pool is tough vinyl-plastic sheeting shaped to line a hole you dig in the ground. Plastic shell is edged with an inflated bumper. A vinyl cover goes over the top of the pool to keep out debris and protect children. *Vinylite Swimming Pool Liner*, $275. *Inflatable Bumper*, $75; *Pool Cover*, $50. Bilmor Corp., Maspeth, Long Island, New York.



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The *Cycla-matic* Frigidaire

See how thick, all-around insulation completely seals off food freezer from refrigerator

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Only Frigidaire gives you Levelcold! Here's "keeping" cold unmatched by any other refrigerator. Levelcold's *never* affected by outside temperatures – *never* see-saws up and down. Frozen foods won't thaw – fresh foods won't freeze.

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Only Frigidaire gives you the Meter-Miser! It takes a cold-making mechanism as dependable, powerful, and economical as the Meter-Miser to produce Levelcold – because you need enough reserve power to keep foods safe, even in hottest weather. The Meter-Miser is the heart of your Cycla-matic Frigidaire – the simplest refrigerating mechanism ever built.

Look! A sealed-off, zero-zone safe food freezer ↑

– that keeps frozen foods safe for months! No so-called "freezing compartment," this – but a real honest-to-goodness food freezer that actually keeps even ice cream in tip-top shape. *No defrosting heating devices* in here, to thaw out and "mush" your frozen foods. Foods stay pack-fresh till you use them.

Look! A roomy refrigerator with roll-to-you shelves →

– that put all foods "out in front"! Every shelf rolls out – full-length – easily, quickly, silently. No "lost" foods, no back-shelf fumbling. Pull-out Hydrators, too – sliding utility tray – even storage space on the door! The Cycla-matic puts more food within easy reach than any other refrigerator!

Look! New Cycla-matic Defrosting –

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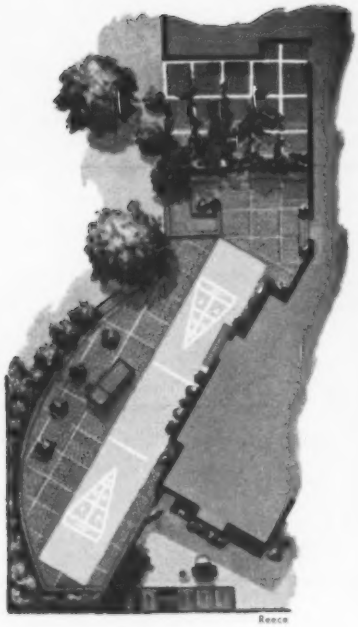

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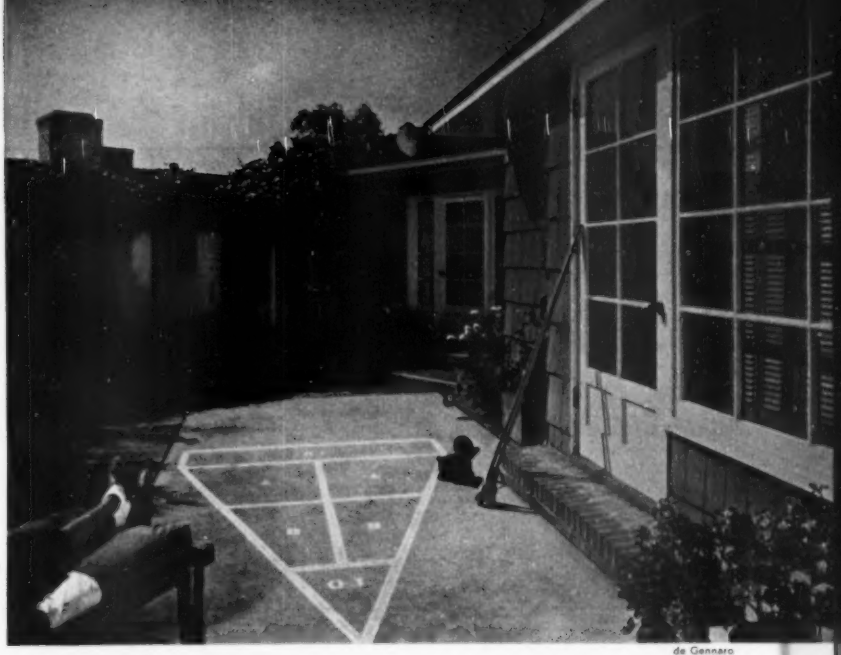

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Plot plan of home on cover, with space to relax outdoors

D. Monroe Hummel home is rich in summer advantages. Play and lounging space is handy to house. There's a vine-shaded eatspot, and the pleasure of fish, reflections, and play boating in a little pool. Geraniums in boxes are easily moved for quick effect. Frederick M. Lang, landscape designer. See page 96 for details

Be more comfortable at home

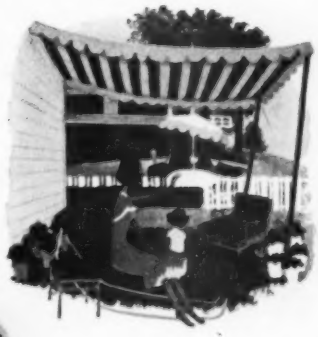
How's your place geared for the lazy, shimmering hot days of peak summer? Can you take the easy approach to anything, and everything? Have you found the practical way to relax?

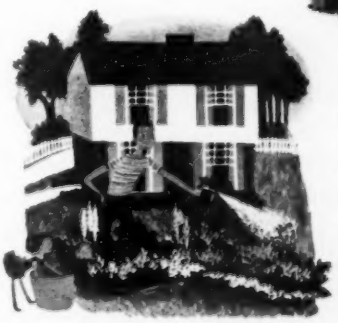
Do your home and outdoor living space measure up to their possibilities for convenient, informal family use? Or does the routine of managing and maintaining your place sap you of time and energy, make you settle for less than your fair share of relaxed comfort?

If you're not satisfied, here's help—smart, thoroughly tested ideas you can adapt to your own family brand of summer living. Here, and throughout this month's *Better Homes & Gardens*, you'll find dozens of practical suggestions on how to cut corners and still get unavoidable work done. These tips pay off handsomely in ease and family pleasure. You'll find quick ways to control sun and wind with a minimum of work or money outlay.

All the ideas guarantee you more comfort when the weather says it's time to relax.

Suspend a piece of canvas to make a cool spot of a hot corner. Tack one side of canvas to building; support other end with poles





Make your garden work easy with a multipurpose dust or spray that will control most plant pests. See "Insect bites—how to avoid 'em!" page 32

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Be more comfortable at home

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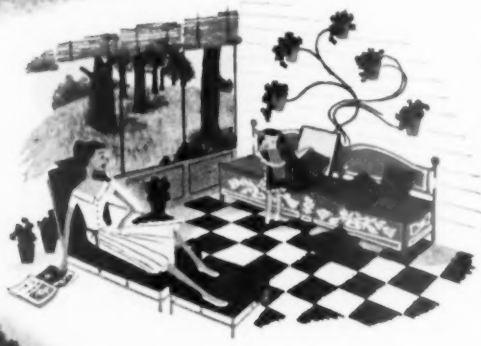
Put off all the work you can until it's cooler. For after-sundown games, or even a party, run a length of heavy-duty cord from the nearest electric outlet to give you light. Use bug-repellent amber bulbs. See page 32 for skin repellents

You can greet each morning with renewed energy and zest if you've had your quota of sound, refreshing sleep. You can weather sweltering days of "scorcher" proportions if you have it. A room air conditioner that fits a window helps

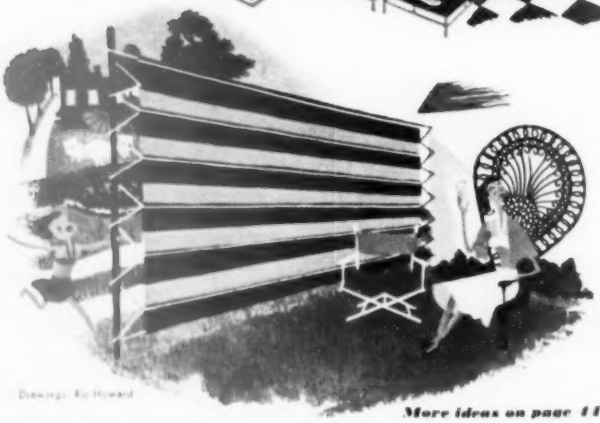
High humidity and temperature, poor air circulation are factors that spoil your disposition. Room air conditioners are designed to remove moisture, to bring in, cool, filter, and circulate fresh air. Most will exhaust stale air. Use an attic fan to move hot air from under your roof

Don't wring the last ounce from tired, bedraggled nerves. Get a lift by spending a little time each morning or evening observing the miracle of growth—your roses, shrubs, lawn, and trees. Arrange a comfortable seat in the shade, anywhere you can get away by yourself and deliberately go limp



Handy storage is close to the heart of take-it-easy summer living. On your porch, you can accomplish it with a long, high-backed bench with seats that lift as lids. Let this bench be home base for cushions, blankets, items that must be brought in at night

Keep storage in mind whenever you build a place to sit outdoors. A box-seat with a hinged top permits quick and easy protection for folding lawn chairs, cushions, or garden tools when it rains. Even serves over winter. It also will do for sports equipment. Make top and bottom weather-tight, the base waterproof. Bore holes in end and cover with screen for circulation



Drawings: Ric Howard

Quick, inexpensive way to block a view you dislike, late afternoon sun, and hot winds is to mount a screen of canvas or plastic-screen cloth between poles. You'll get privacy for lounging or work outdoors, and escape feeling of enclosure

Open-center plan serves all family ⟶

Room for family meals, entertaining, flowers, some grass, energetic wheeling of youngsters—all is achieved here. Paving can be hosed off in minutes

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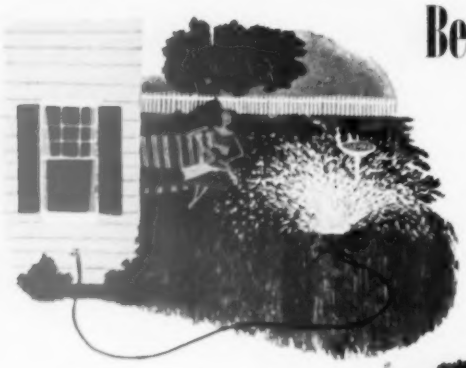


You can get quick relief on the hottest day by cooling the air with a lawn sprinkler. Use oscillating type, or turn hose nozzle to throw the finest possible spray. Spray at night outside your bedroom

High on the list of worksavers is a cache of small tools —out where you use them—for spur-of-the-moment jobs. You'll eliminate countless trips to the house

Fashion a shallow shelter of your own design to an outbuilding, or to the post of a fence. On the backboard, keep a hand trowel, pruners, a weeder, a ball of twine, a pair of gloves, and any other equipment you're likely to use often outdoors this summer. Keep your tools sharp, well oiled so they operate easily and efficiently

It's fun to eat outside—if it doesn't mean added work. Use a sturdy, wheeled serving cart to move food, other items out in a single trip. Eliminate dishwashing with throwaway paper plates, cups, napkins. Keep a receptacle handy for easy disposal of waste

Make entertaining easier. Have a generous supply of lightweight folding tables and chairs, and a convenient place to store them. You'll appreciate the extra seating when guests and friends of your youngsters drop in. They'll save better furniture

Let body comfort and resistance to sun and rain—as well as decorative appeal—guide you in choosing the pieces you plan to keep outdoors. Have your heavier furniture equipped with caster wheels so it rolls around easily. Also, don't overlook coasters and table-trays on pointed legs you can stick in ground to hold glasses, sandwiches, ash trays, and magazines

Water is a great means of keeping small children happy, and cool, on a hot, sultry day. Invest in an inexpensive play pool you can move around. Then rig up a shower by tying hose and nozzle to an upright pipe

Curves, angles add up to full use ⟶

Intelligent planning at start gives you all this extra use on an irregular lot. Smart-looking bulkhead wall counters the thrust of hill without fear of washout

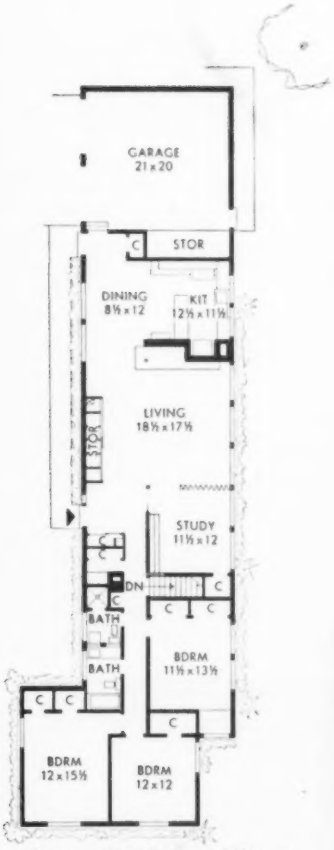
For plot plan, more details, see page 147

Landscape architects: Katy and Paul Steinmetz. Photographs: Weymouth

The soundest answer to high building costs—

All-in-a-line house planning

By Bob Jones



Dimensions, 105x31. Floor space, 2,00[illegible] square feet, without the garage or basement. Architects: Humphrey & Hardenbergh, Minneapolis

One of these days you'll wake up wanting to build a new house. Your eyes will take on a faraway stare. Your mouth will be dry, your cheeks flushed, and your brow feverish. Unless you're exceptional, you'll likely have doubts about your state of mind.

In the period of calm grace before the wonderful time arrives, it will pay you to plant a few fundamentals in your mind—some guiding lights for those furious, confused, wildly stimulating days ahead.

Remember this, as an example: Basic building costs may go up or down, but no one will be giving you something for nothing.

You'll have to dig deep, and you never in the world can save or borrow enough for *all* the things you'd like in a house. You should start deciding right now what is really important in your new house—and what isn't. Weigh carefully all the frills and gewgaws; you can do without a lot of them.

Remember this also. There is no substitute for adequate living space—your most precious necessity, your cheapest luxury.

Add the necessity for first things first to the need for enough space, and you discover this: The least expensive way to enclose space is the simple and straightforward cheesebox cube.

Every time you turn a corner with a foundation or a wall, building costs soar. Every time you put a peak, valley, or dormer in a roof, costs skyrocket again. Every time you tack on some fussy applied decoration, you'll have to do without something more essential.

It's as simple as that. [*Turn to next page*

Photographs: Photography, Inc.

Large dining table was designed by the architects, and chairs match drapery colors. Note design interest given ceiling by lapping boards as on house siding, and interplay of pattern from natural wood, stone, cork, and fabric

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"Lawn" side is behind house

Design is so straightforward that house has no formal front or back. This is the "lawn" side, as contrasted with graveled entrance side. Bank of transomed windows is in living room. Overhang, stained rich brown on underside, blocks the midday sun

All-in-a-line house planning

Begins on preceding page

You may not particularly like an unornamented cube of a house with a flat roof. But you live on the *inside* of that house, not on your neighbor's doorstep looking at it.

So let your building dollars go into adequate floor space, and into well-designed and carefully built storage, and into materials and equipment that make for carefree maintenance. You'll get vastly more for your money—more comfort, more satisfaction, more real value.

That's the reason why today's extremely simple, all-in-a-line house designs make so much sense. The house shown on these pages is an outstanding example of what you can achieve by designing from the inside out. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Arney of Austin, Minnesota, are the owners; Architects Humphrey and Hardenbergh of Minneapolis did the designing.

The Arney house is not small, as you will see by studying the plans. But the Arneys got tremendously more house for their investment than would have been possible with a timid or conservative approach.

There is only one break in the straightforward lines of the house—a pair of bedrooms at one end is offset to reduce hall space, and to allow cross ventilation in all three of the bedrooms. As a bonus, the offset adds design interest.

The roof has a single pitch which means framing economy and the elimination of waste space above the ceiling.

Materials were selected for permanent beauty with minimum upkeep—the asbestos paneling on the exterior, the cedar paneling on inside walls, the cork flooring.

Though the house has a partial basement under the living room for laundry and heating plant, the Arneys didn't let this stop them from putting in plenty of storage units upstairs where they really count. Throughout the house, handsome and efficient built-ins are provided close to their point of use.

Most important, the all-in-a-line planning with plenty of windows gives a truly satisfying sense of spaciousness to every room.

Exterior of the house is finished with unpainted asbestos board. Wood batten strips add pattern and conceal joints. This is entrance side; cutouts in the overhang allow sunlight to reach flowers along walk. Those are dining-area windows you see, with "back" door just beyond

"Den" can be part of living room, serve as guest room, or provide area for homework—depending on how drapery is arranged. Noise control: Above beam is glass, and sliding door closes between green wall and red post

Living room flows smoothly into den, dining area, and kitchen beyond fireplace—creating one spacious area for family activities. Corner fireplace has a huge, heat-radiating copper hood. The ceiling sweeps upward to a 9-foot-high window wall (see close-up on page 117)

All-in-line planning simplifies traffic control. Though each room is dead end, absence of partitions gives a visual openness not possible in conventional hallway

Openness is maintained in kitchen with serving peninsula on one side, a bank of windows over sink on the other. Gradations of color in the curtains reflect warm tones, chocolate brown to pale yellow, used throughout house

More on page 116

If your lot leaves you little leeway—

Try this house for size

By John Normile, A.I.A.

Most modern houses take a good deal of space. But, as you probably know if you're thinking of building, big lots are hard to find, and the ones you find are hard to pay for, especially if all you can afford is a small house.

You may find the answer to your home problems in *Better Homes & Gardens* Five Star Home No. 2208. It looks well on a big lot, but it will fit and look just as well on a 50-footer. It is a house that has just about everything in it a bigger house has—except all your life savings.

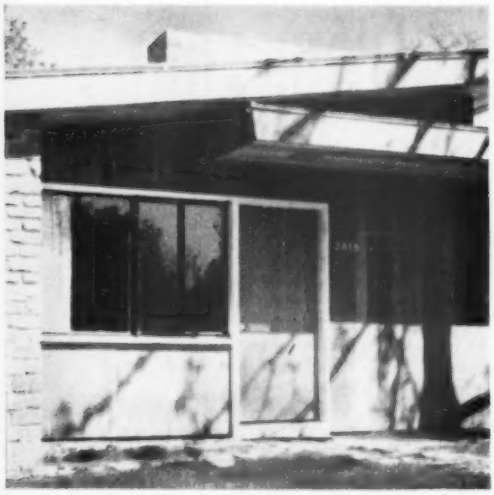
It has, for example, three bedrooms, none of them large enough to throw a dance in, but all admirably equipped for their sole purpose—just being a bedroom.

Two smaller bedrooms have one uninterrupted wall surface for a bed, at least two ventilating windows, at least four feet of double-doored closet space. The owners' bedroom has three exposures, four feet of closet space each for husband and wife (it'll probably end up two and six), and an ideal spot under corner windows for a built-in dressing table or desk.

As a matter of fact, Five Star No. 2208 has dozens of places where you can put built-ins if you need extra storage space. Even with 11 closets to fill, you may want low cabinets and high bookshelves in the living room, perhaps a bench with toy storage under its hinged seat in the dining area, perhaps that wall of shelves for which there's plenty of space in the utility room. If you're a handyman, here's a house that will keep you occupied for months.

If you're wife, mother, and homemaker, you'll find the kitchen and laundry arranged to keep you confined as little as possible. Work surface, equipment, and storage space are concentrated on two walls of a kitchen so well planned that even an efficiency expert would be pleased. From the sink [*Turn to page 127*

Because of its plan, storage facilities, and low-maintenance materials, here's a comfortable-to-live-in, carefree house



With its roof cocked at a jaunty angle, the house has a friendly, carefree appearance. Clean lines are dramatic

Exterior is tongue-and-groove siding, with stone used sparingly for contrast. House was planned to face east

Except for a band of clerestory windows, all glass is concentrated from floor to ceiling on the wall at left. This leaves two entire walls clear for furniture and your handsome built-ins

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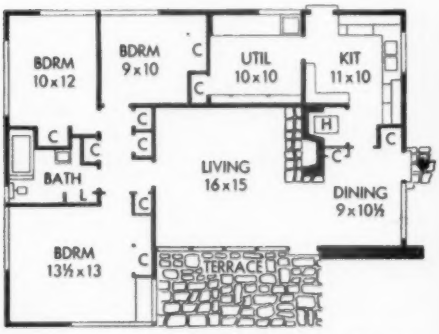


Over-all dimensions: 35x44 feet. Floor area: 1,325 square feet. Paul R. Hoffmaster is the owner. Architect is Walter D. Byrd, A. I. A.

YOU CAN BUY PLANS FOR THIS OR ANY OTHER *BETTER HOMES & GARDENS* FIVE STAR HOME

From the inside you can tell exactly what the house looks like outside. The exterior materials are carried right on inside. Except over living and dining rooms, roofing on the house is flat

Arrange furniture from your

By Kathryn Larson

The way you arrange furniture in your rooms can make space—or steal it. You can place a chair one way, and block a passageway; move it a foot or two, and clear the way for family traffic.

Finding the best arrangement for the way you live is a try, try again business. If you're actually shoving the sofa, you'll be bushed before you finish.

But do it on *paper*, and it's a sit-down job.

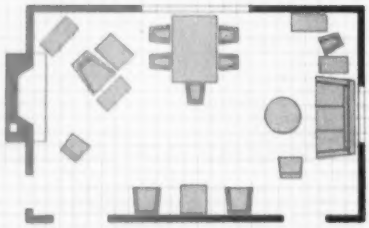
You'll need only simple tools: a few sheets of paper ruled off in ¼-inch squares, a yardstick, ruler, pencil, and scissors.

First, measure your room, and draw it on the ruled paper, letting each square equal one foot. Mark on your plan where windows, doors, fireplace, and built-ins are.

Then cut out paper patterns of furniture to correspond to the furniture you have, or plan to buy. *Better Homes & Gardens* furniture cutouts are drawn to the same ¼-inch scale as your room plan. Or you can make your own cutouts: Measure the width and depth of your furniture, mark it off on the ruled paper, and trace the outlines onto construction paper, using a sheet of carbon.

Before you begin to shift your paper cutouts around on your plan, pencil in your traffic [*Turn to page 100*

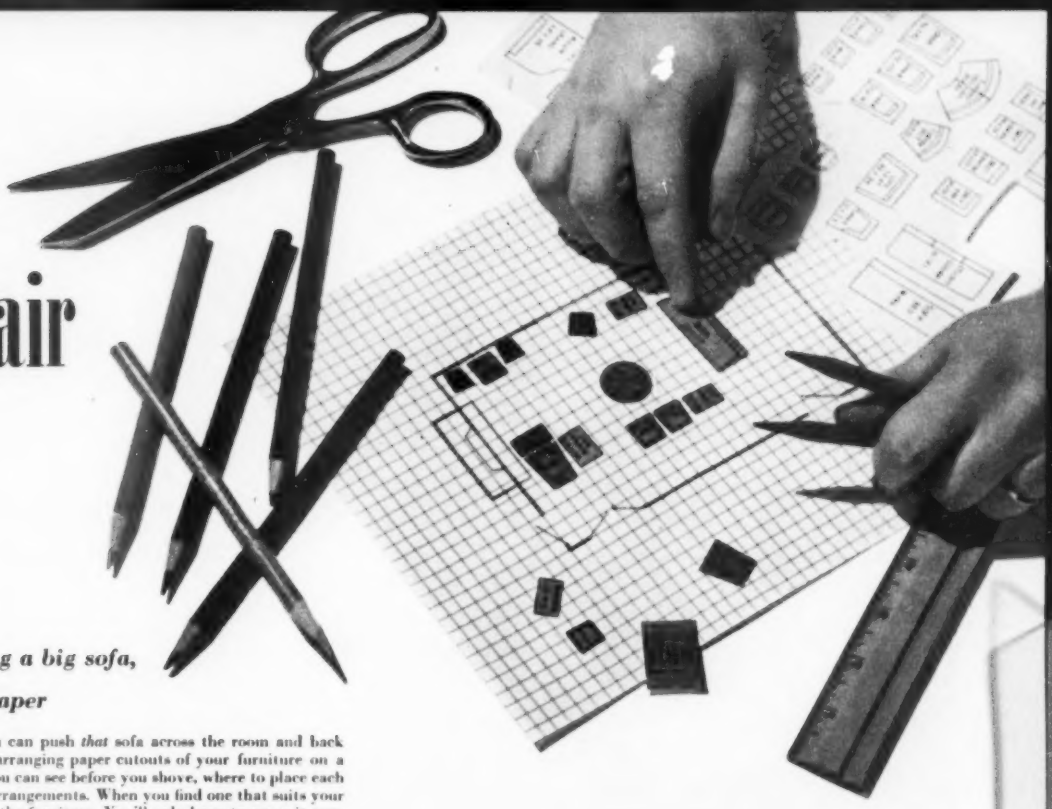
Better Homes & Gardens has furniture cutouts for living, dining, and bedrooms, plus the ruled paper for your floor plan. Order "Furniture-arrangement Kit" from 8308 Meredith Building, Des Moines 3, Iowa. Enclose 25 cents in coin



You'd have to pick your way around this room . . .

HERE'S what happens when you string furniture along the walls, without thought to grouping it for use and convenience. Arrange this room on paper and you can see in a minute that there's a long walk from kitchen (right corner) to dining table, that the easy chair blocks the china cabinet, and that the traffic from front door to kitchen cuts in front of TV set. Chairs that could combine with sofa for a conversational grouping are separated from it by dining table. Room is pattern-heavy on the right, practically colorless by fireside. You'd never make all these mistakes, but you'll learn good arrangement if you know what the mistakes are.

easy chair



Instead of shoving a big sofa, shift this bit of paper

What could be easier? You can push *that* sofa across the room and back again, with one finger. By arranging paper cutouts of your furniture on a paper plan of your room, you can see before you shove, where to place each piece. Try many different arrangements. When you find one that suits your family, then you can move the furniture. You'll only have to move it once

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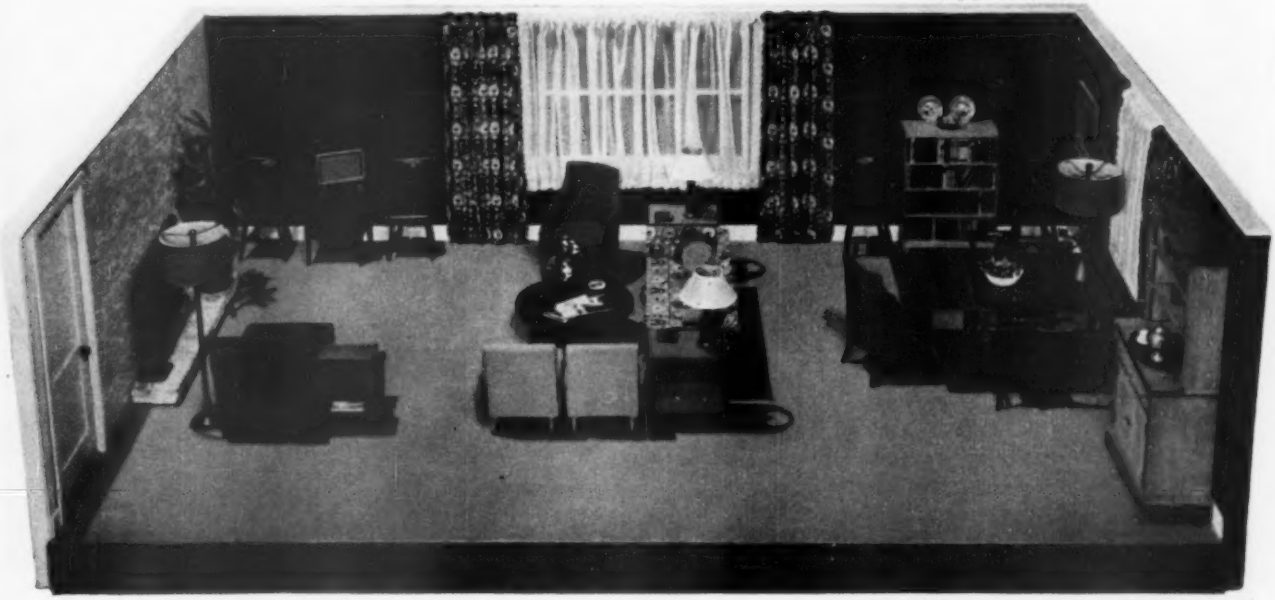
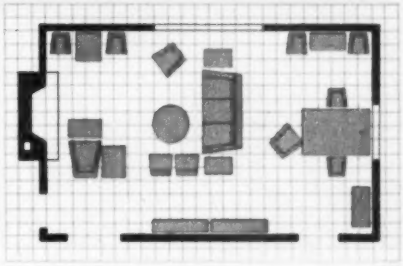
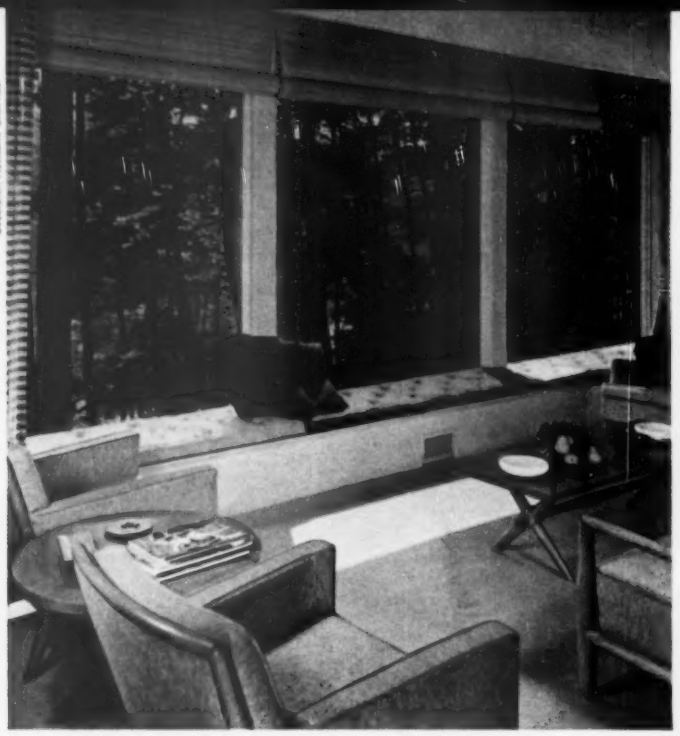


See how this plan divides room into living areas

THE NEW arrangement frees traffic aisles, brings the dining table and china cabinet close to the kitchen, and provides a conversation grouping around the fireplace that will seat eight within comfortable talking and TV distance. It pulls the sofa away from matching draperies, for better balance of pattern and color. To help you see color distribution in your plan, color your cutouts. As you arrange them, keep all the greens from piling up in one corner. Distribution of high and low pieces around the room is important, too. If you need height over low furniture, get it with a picture arrangement on the wall above. See how, page 100.





Decorator: Henrietta Granville

Enjoy the outdoors without pesky mosquitoes! Arrange furniture to play up a refreshing view. The Philip Haberman home, Chappaqua, New York

Looks invitingly cool, doesn't it? The secret is lavish use of white. The John Wiggins home in Kenilworth, Illinois

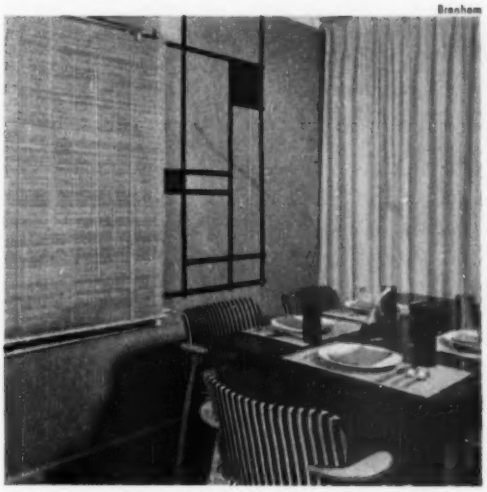
Hedrich-Blessing; Decorator: Eleanor Lippincott

Looks 20 degrees cooler!

By Florence Byerly

Make your home as comfortable and pleasant as an air-conditioned movie. It's easy to do. These pictures will give you a start. Before you know it, you'll think of all kinds of ways to help you keep cool this summer. Then sit back and relax. Take off your shoes if you like—after all, it's your home. Think about that vacation trip you're going to take to the lake or beach. Isn't that better? Without leaving your living room, you can almost feel those cool evening breezes coming in over the water.

Branham



Take up the rug and remove all dust-catchers. Add interest to a "bare" room with a wall treatment of masking tape and bright paper. Home of Designer Martin Van Buren, Atlanta

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For sizzling summer days, snowy white curtains backed by flowered window shades make a room look cooler. Draw shades to sill and block out sun

Photographed by Howland at Gimbels, New York

For a relaxing vacation, there's only one

CAPE COD

By Hal Burton

Provincetown, at tip of Cape, is an artist's paradise. Here, in December, 1620, Pilgrims first sought refuge from storms, signed the Mayflower Compact, and finally sailed on to Plymouth. This is view you get from atop Pilgrim Monument

The ocean offers more than just the cool breezes you'll enjoy. Your drive up the Cape doesn't require long hours on the road, so you can enjoy beaches like this one at Cotuit. The best swimming is found on south shore where temperature of water averages 70 to 72 degrees

Would you like to make an ocean voyage at the wheel of your own car? Then the place you should visit is Cape Cod. On this enchanted 64-mile peninsula, jutting out into the Atlantic from the mainland of Massachusetts, sand and surf, dunes and moorlands, pine forests and warm summer sunshine combine to transport you far out to sea—but at a cost that is only a fraction of the tariff charged on any ocean liner. This year, the 350th anniversary of the discovery of Cape Cod, you can make this memorable trip in solid comfort, visiting not only the Cape but also the islands that lie drowsing just offshore—Nantucket and Martha's Vineyard.

It is a restful trip, and not an expensive one. In all, you'll drive no more than 400 miles during the 10 days you are on or around the Cape. Four of these days you'll be out at sea on Nantucket and Martha's Vineyard.

No matter how well you know American history, this storied section of the United States will provide you with a living lesson in the customs and traditions of the past. No schoolbook can teach your children so much so painlessly. Above the shore line, at which the sea is endlessly gnawing, the old lighthouses rise white and gleaming in the sunshine. Offshore, when the tide is low, you can see the gaunt bones of hundreds of ships that have gone aground and been torn asunder by the surf.

New England cooking, about which [*Turn to page 103*

Cranberry growing is a chief industry on the Cape. It employs about 15,000 people, produces 75 percent of our supply.

There are lots of cranberry bogs; you'll have no trouble finding them.

The salt-water air of Cape Cod renews your energy in a hurry — makes you feel like new.

Putter with a small boat, explore harbors, hike the beaches — you'll forget troubles, sleep as never before.

Photographs: Wilson, FPG, H. Hannau from Shostal

If you're interested in antiques, you may be lucky and pick up a treasure at a country auction.

Here, a spinning wheel goes to highest bidder. Cape is a mecca for collectors of Early Americana.

Sandwich, settled in 1637, is the Cape's oldest town and the birthplace of now rare and expensive Sandwich glass. The old factory passed out of existence long ago, but in the Sandwich Museum, you'll see a fine collection

Table settings designed for *Informal entertaining*

By Fae Rowley

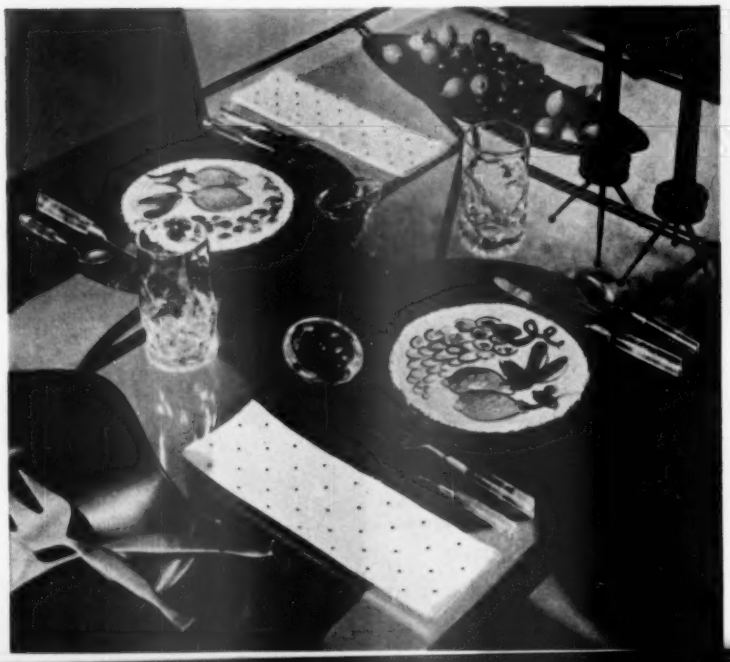
Midsummer's hot, lazy days call for entertaining with minimum effort. From your table setting to your food, plan to take it easy. You'll want quick-to-fix table settings that invite relaxation and pleasant eating. Make them so cool and beautiful that they'll start the conversation. The secret is to add a few glamorous summer accessories in colors that harmonize with your year-round table furnishings. Then your table will be a delight to see, a lovely foil for tempting, weather-defying foods.

Bridge desserts

Wrought-iron hurricane candlestick always looks decorative. Summer-accessory note is the ring of glossy, plastic lemons. Waxy green leaves pick up the color of the napkins. Plastic-fiber place mats are shiny-bright

Salad setting

Glistening glass and clear plastic give sparkle to this modern table setting. Round place mats of black straw contrast sharply with the white plates. Artistic fruit bowl repeats smart design of the pottery



Photographs: Suter, Hedrich-Blessing

Foursome luncheon

Frosty blue linen mats highlight the beauty of stark white, unadorned dishes. The glass-topped table makes a striking background. Nosegay of real or artificial flowers tucked into each napkin cuff lends quaint charm. See the two attractively shaped apothecary jars. They're used as neat, spacesaving food servers.

Dream workshop only 8′x22′!

Plan wisely for the bigger projects ahead, and you too can have a model shop for surprisingly little outlay

By John Webster

A home workshop is a thing that grows on you. That old table pushed up against a basement or a garage wall, with nails holding a few tools, is a start.

But as you progress from shaving the top of a stubborn door to building a handsome radio cabinet for your living room, you'll acquire more tools as quickly as the bank roll permits. In time, you'll add some power tools.

Without a definite plan, someday you'll find you've put a heap of money into a shop that is far from ideal. Such a shop will steal your time, energy, and space, and could be dangerous as well.

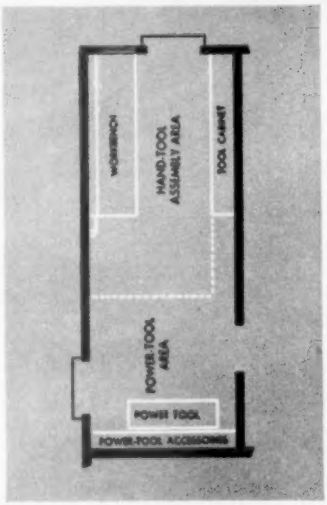
The shop pictured here was designed by a professional—Angelo Centanni, an industrial arts instructor at San Jose State College. He took as a challenge the toughest sort of floor space—an area 8x22 feet in a double garage. In it, he engineered a workshop that is complete, efficient, attractive, and easy on the budget. It's the kind of shop you could work toward over a number of years, without the expense of overlapping functions.

In only 176 square feet, this shop manages to enclose all materials and hand tools so that cleaning is kept at a minimum. It places all the tools right where they will be needed, for safety and convenience. And it insures a pleasant, efficient atmosphere for best workmanship.

Mr. Centanni believes the most common mistake of home handymen is to build a workshop around equipment that is on hand, without thought for the future. Instead, he urges you to take a long-range view—for maximum utility at minimum expense. On the basis of his extensive research, and assuming you will acquire some power tools, Mr. [*Turn to page 108*

Hand-tool area. Narrowness of shop rules out table hopping, reaching over power tools.

Large hand tools are in the cabinets above bench, hardware in drawers. Clamps, finishing materials, and small hand tools are in tall cabinets.



Long, narrow layout like this ➜ is most often available for a workshop, either in basement or garage. Plan has maximum of convenience and safety in a small package. Note that shop is divided into two work areas

Power-tool area. Here you see the other side of shop. Mobility of power tool, plus good planning, makes it possible to rip a 20-foot board or cut a 4x8-foot panel. Space can also be used to assemble larger projects. Note big cabinets at far end of the shop for power-tool accessories, overhead storage

Compact cleaning, finishing, and small-tool units

Cleaning center. A vacuum cleaner is valuable for any shop, and this one has space to store it. Vacuum can be operated during power sanding, for example, to catch the dust. Hard-to-store clamps are here, too

Tool rack. You can stand in front of this cabinet and see every small tool that's in it. Partitioned, slanting shelves place every tool at your finger tips. The partitions are removable so they will accommodate wider tools

Finishing supplies. Last of shop's specialized storage units is this one for wood-finishing materials. Cutback shelves take a single row of cans—you can see all at a glance. Brushes hang from clips on the door

Storage wall. Neat as a pin is this cabinet opposite the bench. It has space for finishing supplies (left), small hand tools (center), clamps and cleaning supplies (right). Doors keep dust out

The expertly designed workshop you see here is based to a large extent on Mr. Centanni's research in kitchen planning.

The principal objective was to keep workshop equipment and supplies near the point of use, neatly stored, and carefully protected, all in a minimum space.

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Workbench. Novel but practical bench top is made of strips of plywood that are glued and bolted together; whole table is a magnificent nine feet long.

Most-used tools fasten above bench—hangers can be set anywhere in perforated panel. The shavings are swept into well at back, then into can at end.

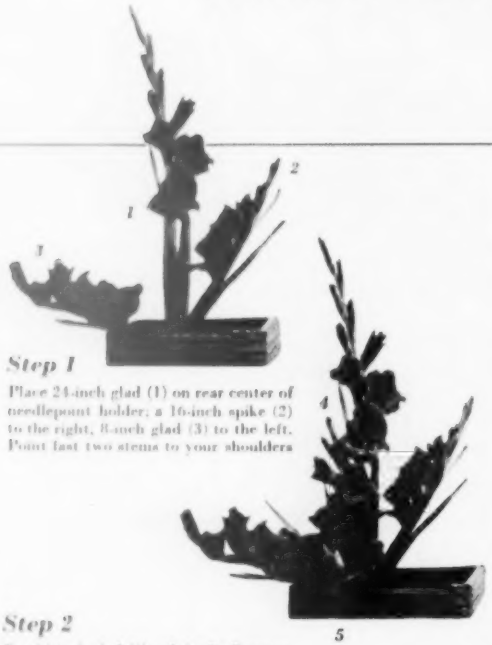
Wood vise at left will hold long boards on their edge, resting them on bench top. For this picture, sliding doors over the hanging panel have been removed.

Indoor charm with summer's glads

The beauty of your midsummer garden is at your finger tips, an inspiration for gorgeous arrangements. So fill your bowls with the pretty blossoms and brighten your rooms with fresh, outdoor color.

There's no guesswork involved in making a lovely arrangement like the bowl of glads below. We tell you how long to cut the stems, where to place them. You can follow the same directions for most August flowers.

By Fae Huttenlocher

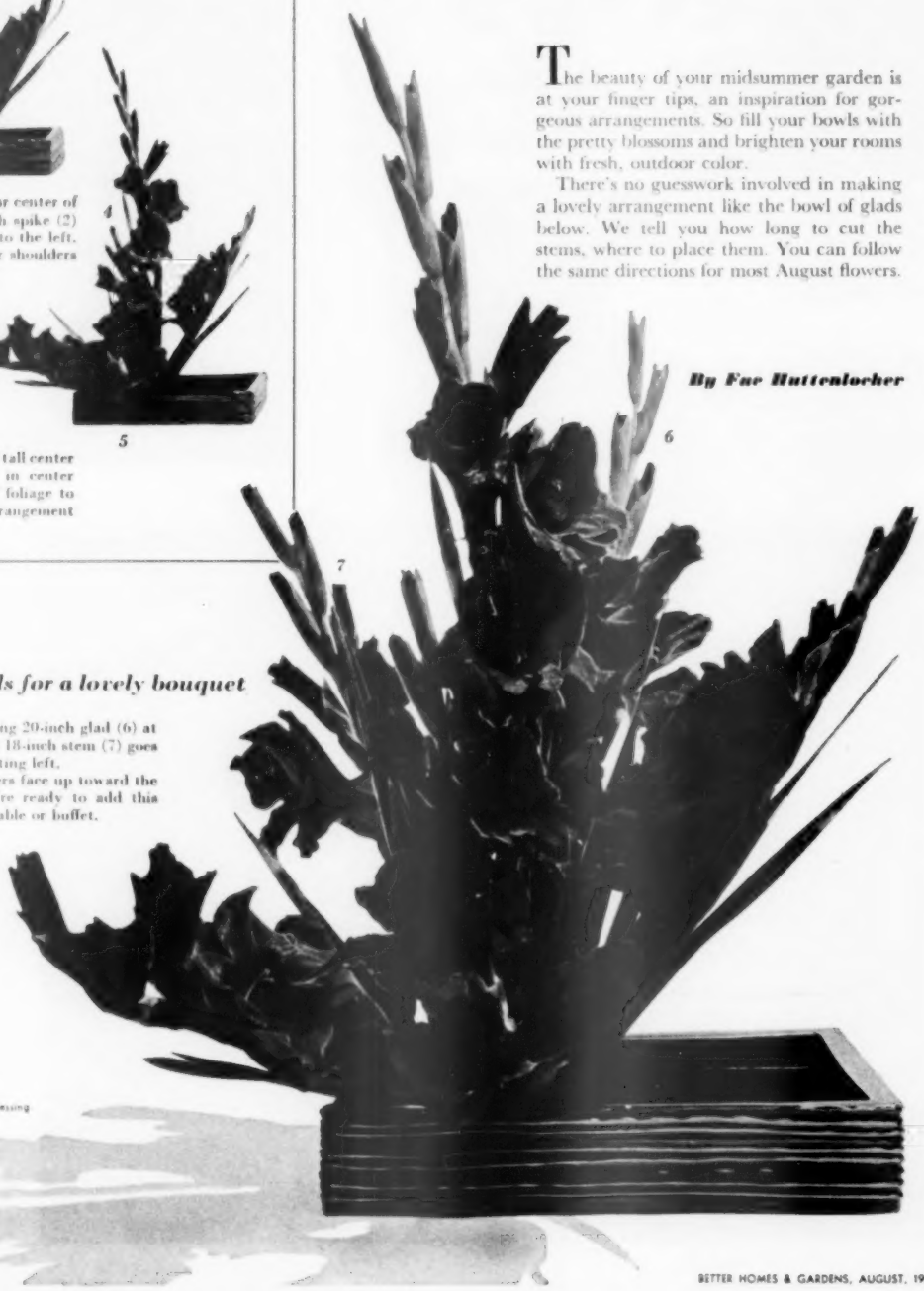


Step 1

Place 24-inch glad (1) on rear center of needlepoint holder; a 16-inch spike (2) to the right, 8-inch glad (3) to the left. Point last two stems to your shoulders

Step 2

Put 14-inch glad (4) at left of tall center spike, 7-inch stem (5) low in center front. Add several spears of foliage to each glad for a natural arrangement



Add two more glads for a lovely bouquet

Finish arrangement by putting 20-inch glad (6) at rear right of tallest stem. An 18-inch stem (7) goes in front of tallest spike, slanting left.

Check to see that all flowers face up toward the tall center stem. Now you're ready to add this vivid spot of color to your table or buffet.

Photographs: Hopkins, Suter, Hedrich-Blessing

SOUP is a salad's best friend

As the One Hot Dish of cool meals ... these favorite soups are perfect.

BY *Anne Marshall*

ANNE MARSHALL
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Campbell Soup Company

AS YOU KNOW, every cool meal should have a warm heart. One hot dish, the food experts tell us, makes that cool meal more appetizing and easier to digest. That's why ... if you serve lots of salads (and most people do) you're going to lean on soup as that one hot dish around which you plan quick easy meals. The family likes it. There are many delicious kinds to choose from. Besides, there's no hour or two spent in a hot kitchen. Soup is ready in a jiffy ... four minutes from your soup shelf to table.

You don't have to be a food expert to select a soup to serve with salads. Almost every soup ... goes with almost every salad ... but among *my* favorite combinations are:

Vegetable Beef Soup

A square meal soup, thick with vegetables and beef, is excellent with these salads:

Fresh Summer Fruit
Shrimp-Stuffed Tomato
Pear and Cream Cheese
Asparagus and Pimiento
Fruit Gelatin Mold
Deviled Eggs
Lettuce Wedges with Roquefort
Pepper Rings—Cottage Cheese

Tomato Soup

Everybody loves that luscious purée of big, juicy tomatoes. A wonderful soup with such salads as:

Almond-Chicken
Tuna and Sliced Egg
Ham and Potato
Pineapple—Cottage Cheese
Olive-Cheese Gelatin
Crabmeat and Celery
Mixed Cooked Vegetable
Peanut Sprinkled Banana

Chicken Gumbo Soup

That romantic old Creole soup (chicken-vegetable) is at home with salads like:

Tossed Green
Waldorf
Tart Tomato Aspic
Grapefruit and Orange
Cole Slaw with Walnuts
Vinegared Cucumber-Onion
Raisin and Shredded Carrot
Pineapple-Banana

A clever cook keeps a full soup shelf.

Carefree Bar-B-Q suppers

By Myrna Johnston

With soft summer breezes teasing for you right outside your back door, why be stuffy about the day's heat? Plan supper out where you can hear the crickets singing, the neighborhood kids playing, the chirping of the birds before they settle down for the night. You and the whole family will relax into a contentment you can know no other time than in balmy summer.

But keep your fresh-air suppers simple. Plan no more carry-out than your helpers will stand for. Have food that catches Dad's fancy so he'll "cheat" you out of the cooking. And all you have to do is give a "Hoo-hoo, supper's ready!" to the boys having a last game of catch [*Turn to page 87*

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Old-fashioned peach pie

Just hear Dad—and everyone—telling you how good it is! They're talking about your luscious, beautiful Golden Peach Pie with its frilly lattice top. Pie's delicately browned, still warm from the oven.

That old-time flavor is what folks go for. The homespun goodness of summer peaches, lightly cinnamoned, rich with butter. The pastry's flaky, tender. It's the way folks remember Grandmother's peach pie. And that's just the way yours tastes.

Someone's asking you to pass the pitcher of cool, rich cream. Yes, this pie will be *peaches and cream*, perfect combination! Another time you'll serve whipped cream or a dollop of ice cream on each pretty wedge. This is the peak of the peach season, so bring home a basket or box of these rosy-cheeked fruits to slice over cereal, for all kinds of desserts.

Look below for a Sunday-best chicken dinner to go with peach pie, and for other August-timed meals.

After Church

MAIN DISH	VEGETABLE	SALAD OR ACCOMPANIMENT	DESSERT	NICE TO SERVE
Country Fried Chicken Cream Gravy	Fluffy Whipped Potatoes Buttered Green Beans	Sour-cream Coleslaw* Hot Pan Rolls	Golden Peach Pie* Vanilla Ice Cream	Watermelon Pickles

For a pretty brown crust on the chicken, add paprika to the seasoned flour you use to coat pieces (2 teaspoons paprika and 2 teaspoons salt to ½ cup flour). Reserve extra flour for gravy. Whip potatoes fluffy-light with your mixer. If potatoes must stand a few minutes, keep them piping hot over hot water. Top wedges of Golden Peach Pie with big vanilla-ice-cream scoops.

Out in the Open

Cheeseburger Logs in Coney Buns* Catsup Mustard	Best-ever Lima Bake*	Carrot and Celery Strips Green Onions Cucumber Slices	Cold Watermelon Slices Roasted California Walnuts	Toasted Marshmallows

Get Cheeseburger Logs ready to broil before you set out for your picnic. If grill space permits, toast the Coney buns. Take carrot strips, green onions, and cucumber slices in your picnic ice keeper filled with crushed ice or ice cubes. Relishes will crisp, taste twice as good as in the house. Roast walnuts and marshmallows over fire's last embers. Shake nuts in wire corn popper.

Easygoing Luncheon

Meal-in-a-Bowl Salad*	Corn on the Cob Butter Pats	Rye Bread With Mustard Butter	Peachy Peach Shortcake* Pitcher of Cream	Iced Coffee

Place crunchy, chilled salad greens in bottom of salad bowl. Arrange tomato wedges, luncheon-meat strips, and cheese on top. Toss lightly at the table. Mustard Butter: Combine ¼ cup softened butter and 2 tablespoons prepared mustard. Spread on rye-bread slices. Top tender shortcake, oven-hot, with fresh peach slices, sprinkled with sugar 'n' spice. Pass rich cream.

Warm-weather Supper

Cold-meat Platter Slices of Liver Sausage, Bologna, Luncheon Loaf, Swiss Cheese	Savory Zucchini Halves* Breaded Tomato Slices	Hot French Bread Crisp Relishes	Orange Pears a la Mode*	Iced Tea

You can arrange cold-meat platter in advance, if you like. Cover with waxed paper and slip into refrigerator. Savory Zucchini Halves are browned lightly in seasoned butter, then steamed tender. Your crispy-edged tomato slices will look as tempting as those in the picture, page 70. Luscious pears in orange sauce wait in refrigerator to go atop vanilla ice cream.

Photograph: Allen Snook

Leisurely Sunday Breakfast

Fluffy Blueberry Pancakes* With Pitcher of Melted Butter		Syrup or Powdered Sugar (for pancakes) Bacon Strips	Chilled Cantaloupe Wedges or Honeydew Rings	Ready-to-eat Cereal Hot Coffee

Breakfast out of doors is fun if the weather suggests a picnic. Mix the dry ingredients the night before, so you'll be ready for a quick stir-up in the morning. When your fluffy pancakes are baked, trickle melted butter over, and top with syrup or a sprinkle of powdered sugar. For easy coffee to brew outside, take along a jar of instant coffee or frozen coffee concentrate.

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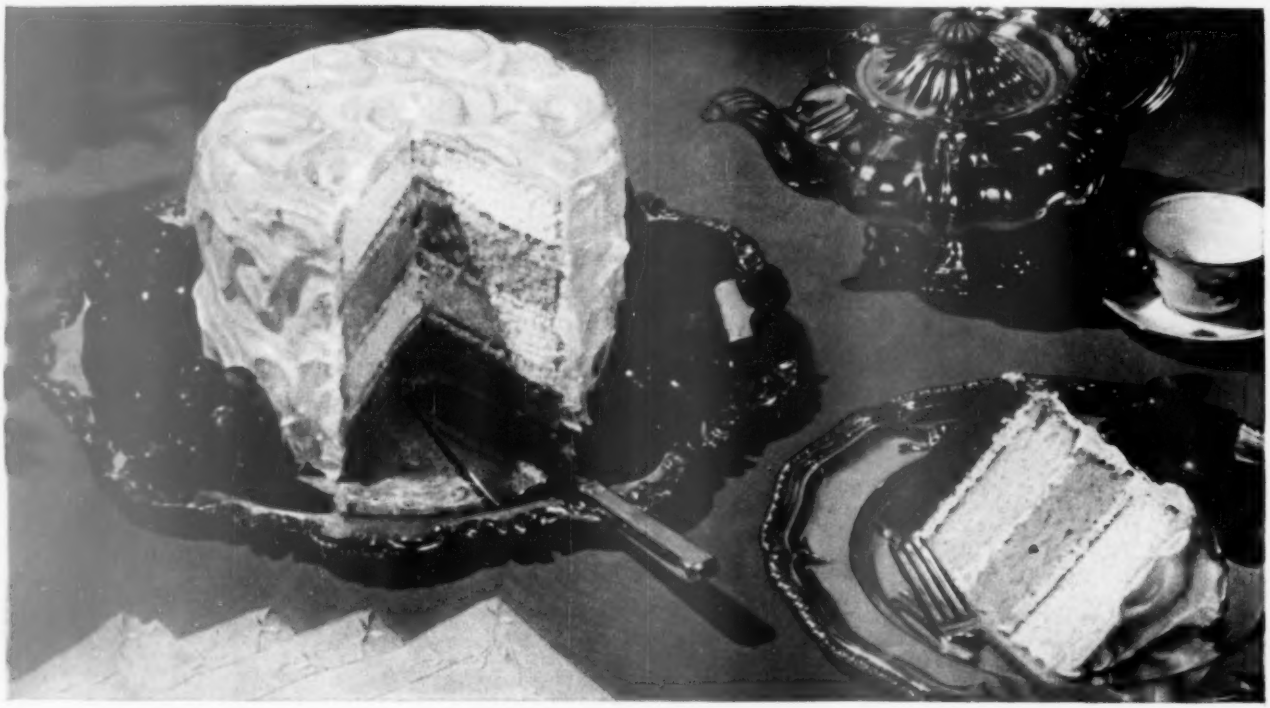
Famous foods FROM *famous places*

Lowell Inn

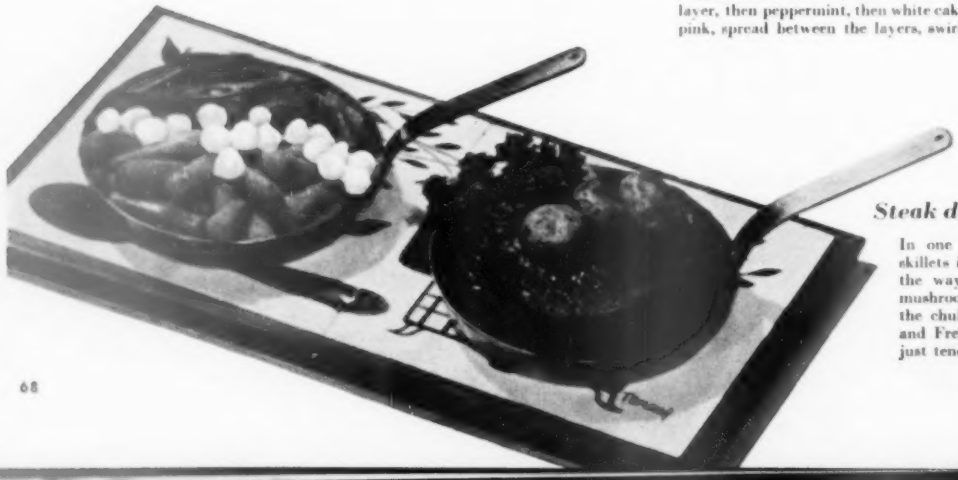
Food so beautiful, so perfect and tasty, you want to ask for the recipes—that's the kind of food you'll find at Lowell Inn, Stillwater, Minnesota. And now you can make a number of Lowell Inn delicacies at home. The recipes start on page 97.

At this charming inn, the Mount Vernon of the West, you'll be welcomed by the owners, Nell Palmer, and her son, Arthur. If you wonder how every salad, every cake is staged to show off to full advantage, you'll find the answer in the Palmers' theatrical background. Since 1930, they've put artistry into creating superb [*Turn to page 97*



Ribbon Cake for a happy birthday

Here's the cake you've always dreamed about! Four stories high, each story a different, luscious flavor. On the bottom is rich chocolate cake, then comes a feather-light, lemon layer, then peppermint, then white cake. Frosting's delicate pink, spread between the layers, swirled on top and sides



Steak dinner in twin servers

In one of the gleaming, little copper skillets is juicy tenderloin steak broiled the way *you want* it, butter-browned mushrooms atop. The other one holds the chubby carrots, white pearl onions, and Frenched green beans—all cooked just tender and drenched in rich butter

Blueberry Pie, just like Mother's

Filling for this blueberry pie came straight from the berry patch a few hours ago. It's good! And juicy! You eat the pie with fork *and* dessert spoon to get every delicious drop. Fresh, sugared blueberries top the crust

Brook-fresh trout, pan-fried

You can be a dining-room fisherman at Lowell Inn! This wonderful plateful of brook trout is your own catch! Trout's been rolled in paprika-seasoned flour; then pan-fried until crispy outside, and the meat flakes apart under your fork. With it, you munch Cucumber Sandwiches, tomato wedges

Lovely, refreshing Memory Salad

On a jumbo lettuce cup, you build a fresh-fruit tower: watermelon and honeydew balls, purple plum slices, pink-grapefruit wedges, strawberries. Spear it with French endive, Bibb-lettuce rosettes; top with bouquet of sugar-dipped mint. Serve Lowell Inn Crescent Rolls

Photographs: Snook

Red-ripe tomatoes for easy treats

Revel in the glory of the garden at its peak—big, beautiful, juicy tomatoes. See how they'll perk up your summery meals with fresh, wonderful flavor, with bright color.

There's crusty Breaded Tomato Slices, top row, left, with sliced olive and crisp bacon-curl trim. Next, Golden Corn Bake in tomato cup. And Top-hat Tomato, upper right, with crisp cabbage shreds, chilled cauliflowerets to nibble. The Halibut Swirl, lower left, that bakes in the fat tomato is rolled with parsley,

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By Betsy McCracken

Photograph: Kuns

spiral fashion. At the side, little yellow tomatoes, slit crisscross and stuffed with green celery leaves. Next, the Snow-capped Tomato with a crown of cream cottage cheese, zestily flavored and topped with bits of chive.

For a salad that's a main dish, too, there's a Tomato-Egg Salad Star. And last, you see a gala garnish, a pretty Tomato Flower.

Lazy does it—with this equipment

Housekeeping can be so easy these days. Why let "multi" tasks spend your days for you? Just *little* helpers—lightning-quick slicers and juicers; a variety of handy utensils all at quick reach—save you precious minutes here and there. Then there are the *big* assistants, too—refrigerators that defrost for you; waste disposers and dishwashers to help you get those cleanup jobs out of the way; speedy floor polishers—to mention a few. For your comfort you'll want a fan to cool you off, and a dehumidifier to take away the excess moisture from the air. Look over these pictures to see all the aids that can save your energy, make your day free for those things you wish you had time to enjoy.

Breakfast speed-ups

Open the oven door and slide out this roomy, cast-aluminum griddle. Turn the oven thermostat to "broil" to cook bacon and eggs, or pancakes. Excess grease from bacon drains into a well for easy removal

Get the morning orange juice ready quick as scat when you switch on this electric juicer. Juice joggles through strainer into the glass

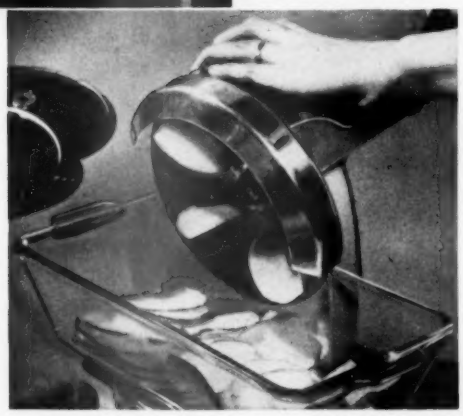
More helpers for the cook

Narrow cabinet, only 9 inches wide, fits into waste space. A board in center slides out to hand you spatula, ladle, cooking fork or spoon for instant use.

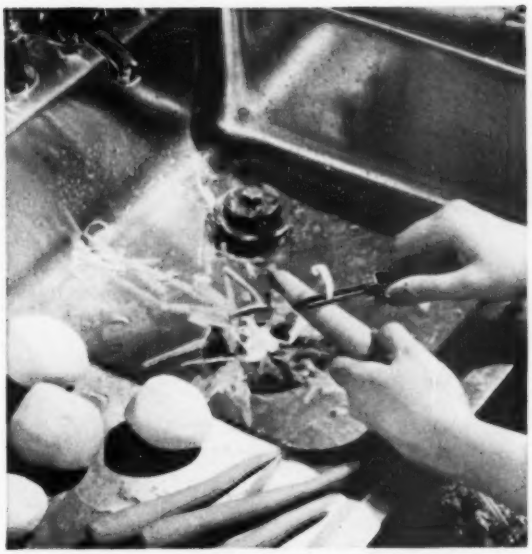
The other side of the board has hooks to hold small and large skillets.

Turn the handle of this rotary slicer, and four cutters slice whole potatoes, cucumbers, onions, cored apples in record-quick time.

Or use one of the two shredding or grating discs for coleslaw, grated carrots.



Into the dishwasher go your dinner dishes! Dishwasher's supplementary heater boosts water to washing temperature; thermostat keeps it hot



Pare vegetables into the sink. Waste disposer grinds food waste to particles. This disposer can be easily installed without change in plumbing

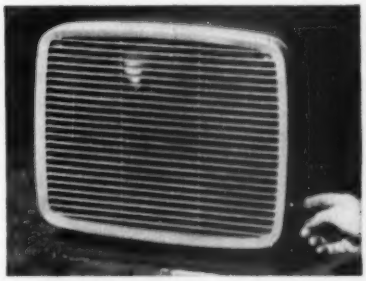
To cut your cleaning time

This brush scrubs or polishes floor, fits on exhaust end of tank-type vacuum cleaner. It rotates with the force of the air exhaust. Rubber bumpers protect the furniture. You snap a sheep's-wool mitt over the brush for polishing fine furniture and woodwork

Refrigerator defrosts while you sleep. Takes only 2 to 10 minutes; automatic heaters remove frost each night. Warmth of motor evaporates moisture

For summer comfort

Portable electric dehumidifier fits easily under counter or table, or goes in basement. Moisture collects in pan which is easy to pull out for emptying; or you can connect the unit to the drain



Carry warm-weather comfort with you as you work. You can set this fan on the counter when you iron, or tip it up and use it as a floor circulator. The grilled front protects small fry's fingers

New

Casserole Treat!... with

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CHILI OR STEW CASSEROLE

with STIR-N-ROLL Potato-Biscuit Crust

Make your favorite meat pie filling or chili (or use canned beef stew or chili). Place hot filling in 2-qt. casserole. Keep warm in oven while preparing crust.

STIR-N-ROLL POTATO-BISCUIT CRUST

Preheat oven to 450°.

Sift together ..... **1 1/2 cups *sifted* GOLD MEDAL Flour**, ***2 tsp. double-action baking powder**, ***1/2 tsp. salt**

Cut in ..... **3/4 cup cold, leftover mashed potatoes**

Pour into a measuring cup (but don't stir together) ..... **1/3 cup cooking oil, such as Wesson**

and ..... **1/4 cup milk**

Then pour into flour mixture. Stir lightly until mixed.

Roll out between 2 sheets of waxed paper to fit top of casserole. (Topping will be quite thick.) Peel off top paper. Place, paper-side-up, over filling. Peel off paper. (Don't flute rim ... be sure all of crust is inside casserole, otherwise edge will burn.) Make wide slits with knife for steam to escape. Bake *20 to 25 minutes* in *hot oven* (450°).

NOTE: For additional color and flavor, mix into dough 2 tbsp. minced green onion, parsley or pimiento.

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COOL SUMMER BEVERAGES

Carrot-and-Olive Sandwiches

An extra-tasty garden sandwich you'll make the year round—nice change for the lunch box—

- 1 cup finely grated carrots
- ½ cup chopped ripe olives
- 1½ teaspoons minced onion
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- ½ cup mayonnaise
- Lettuce

Combine carrots, olives, onion, salt, and mayonnaise. Spread over buttered bread slices. Top each with lettuce, then another bread slice. Makes filling for 6 to 8 sandwiches.—*Mrs. Evelyn Heim, Fair Oaks, California.*

Pow-wow Sandwiches

A chili-bake of dried beef and cheese. Bring these hearty buns to the table still wrapped and piping hot—

- ½ pound sliced bacon
- 2½ ounces (¾ cup) shredded dried beef
- ¾ cup chili sauce
- ⅓ cup sweet-pickle relish
- 6 buttered round buns
- 6 slices American cheese

Fry bacon crisp; drain on absorbent paper. Crush into small pieces. Add dried beef, chili sauce, and pickle relish. Spread on half of split buns. Top each with a cheese slice. Place top on buns. Wrap sandwiches in foil. Heat in slow oven (325°) 25 minutes.—*Clara Ruch, Shubert, Nebraska.*

Deviled-ham Sandwiches

Tasty way to polish off those last bits from the ham bone—

- ¼ cup mayonnaise
- 2 tablespoons prepared mustard
- 2 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce
- 1 tablespoon chopped onion
- ½ teaspoon chili powder
- ½ teaspoon paprika
- 1 cup ground cooked ham

Combine mayonnaise, mustard, Worcestershire sauce, onion, chili powder, and paprika. Add ham; mix thoroughly. Spread between slices of buttered bread. Makes filling for 6 to 8 sandwiches.—*Mrs. Nona Barbaric, Shinnston, West Virginia.*

Tuna Canapes (*photograph on reverse page*). Drain one 6½- or 7-ounce can (1 cup) tuna. Put through food chopper (fine blade), or into electric blender with one 2-ounce can anchovy fillets and 1 hard-cooked egg. Cream ¼ cup butter or margarine; stir in 2 tablespoons mayonnaise. Add tuna mixture; stir lightly. Spread on bread cut in fancy shapes. Decorate with sieved egg yolk and sliced stuffed olives. Makes 1⅔ cups.—*Mrs. David A. Granley, Stamford, Connecticut.*

Cooks' Round Table of Endorsed Recipes

Beverages

Happy-times Punch

Pretty enough for a wedding or anniversary. Easy enough to make any time—

- 2 5- or 6-ounce cans frozen lemonade concentrate
- 1 6-ounce can frozen orange juice concentrate
- 9 cups cold water
- 5 pints pineapple sherbet
- 1 quart vanilla ice cream

Combine frozen concentrates and water. Place sherbet and ice cream in bottom of punch bowl. Break in small pieces with large spoon. Add juices. Stir till sherbet and ice cream are partially melted. Garnish top with orange slices, if desired. Or polka-dot with maraschino cherries. Makes 5 quarts.—*Mrs. John Coleman, Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania.*

Fluffy Mocha-Cream

De luxe coffee refresher—perfect for a porch party—

1 tablespoon instant coffee
1/4 cup hot water
1 3/4 cups cold water
1 pint chocolate ice cream
1/8 teaspoon almond extract
1/2 cup heavy cream, whipped
Nutmeg

Dissolve instant coffee in hot water; add cold water. Chill. Add ice cream and stir till nearly melted. Fold almond extract into whipped cream. Float on top of mocha beverage. Sprinkle with nutmeg. Makes 1 quart.—*Mrs. A. F. Gibbs, Portland, Maine.*

Pineapple Mallowade

A tangy cooler with a surprise marshmallow flavor—

24 marshmallows
1 cup water
2 cups unsweetened pineapple juice
1/4 cup lemon juice
1/8 teaspoon salt
3 cups pale dry ginger ale

Place marshmallows and water in top of double boiler. Heat over boiling water till marshmallows are melted; stir occasionally. Blend in fruit juices and salt. Mix well; chill in refrigerator. Add ginger ale just before serving. Pour into ice-filled glasses. Garnish with fresh mint leaves, if desired. Makes 6 to 8 servings.—*Mrs. Burdette Boileau, Covina Highlands, California.*

Mulled Grape Frost

A snow-capped treat—cooling, beautiful!—

3/4 cup sugar
1 1/4 cups water
1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
1 tablespoon grated orange peel
4 teaspoons grated lemon peel
1-inch piece crystallized ginger
4-inch stick cinnamon
6 cloves
4 cups bottled grape juice
1/3 cup orange juice
1/4 cup lemon juice
1 quart pineapple sherbet

Combine sugar, water, nutmeg, orange and lemon peel, ginger, cinnamon, and cloves; simmer 10 minutes. Cool. Strain. Stir in juices. Chill. Put scoop of sherbet in bottom of each punch cup or glass. Pour mixture over. Makes about 10 servings.—*Miss Rose Marie Hallberg, Iron Mountain, Michigan.*

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Breads

Pink Sandwich Circles

6 to 8 hard rolls
1 1/2 teaspoons (1/2 envelope) unflavored gelatine
2 1/2 tablespoons cold water
1 7 3/4-ounce can (1 cup) salmon or 1 6 1/2- or 7-ounce can (1 cup) tuna
3/4 cup soft bread crumbs
1/4 cup chopped sweet pickle
2 1/2 tablespoons cream cheese
1 1/2 tablespoons mayonnaise
1 1/2 tablespoons catsup
1 1/2 tablespoons chopped pimiento
1/2 teaspoon prepared mustard
Dash of pepper

Cut ends off hard rolls; hollow out centers with apple corer or knife. Soften gelatine in cold water. Dissolve over boiling water. Drain salmon; combine with remaining ingredients. Stir in gelatine. Fill rolls with salmon mixture; replace ends of rolls. Wrap in waxed paper. Chill in refrigerator 8 hours. Cut in 1/4-inch slices when ready to serve.—*Mrs. George Nicholls, Jr., Edinburg, Pennsylvania.*

MOTHERS! HERE'S HOW *Lemonade* SOLVES A

big summer health problem!

Science knows that warm weather robs the body of vitamin C. Unless it's replaced *every single day*, you and your family can lose energy, feel tired and listless, and your resistance to disease and infection can be lowered dangerously.

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To be sure your family gets plenty of lemonade, make a big, frosty pitcherful *every* summer morning. Keep it handy in the refrigerator. Serve it for lunch, in lunch boxes, at parties and teas, with snacks, and *every* time the children ask for something to drink. Children love lemonade.

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RECIPE for this thrilling new kind of jelly on page 89. (Recipe for fresh fruits with each package.)

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Today's ingenious storage ideas and dual-use features are not restricted to Modern. You can find the flexibility you want in furniture of pure Traditional design, too. Here's some of each kind

No room for a buffet? This tea cart takes little space—and see (below) how it stretches at party time to make a serving table bigger than most buffets. And there's still extra shelf space for more plates and cups. Tea cart is a Traditional design, though its expansion top and smooth-rolling wheels are geared to today's living

Here's a dining room on a wall. Slim cabinet units can be lined up, and stacked, to fit the space you have. Sliding doors conceal shelf storage for china, glassware, and linens. The dining table pulls out from the center cabinet. When dinner's over, fold it back into cabinet, flat against the wall, to clear floor space in small living-dining room

for its floor space

Office efficiency shows up in desks styled for the home. This one boasts a full-sized file drawer, a pull-out, sectioned tray for stationery, and plenty of storage space.

The middle "drawer" is actually a sturdily braced shelf that drops to the right height for easy typing.

You can find many of these same office features in desks of Traditional or Provincial design. They are usually finished all around, so you can place them out in your room, at right angles to the wall.

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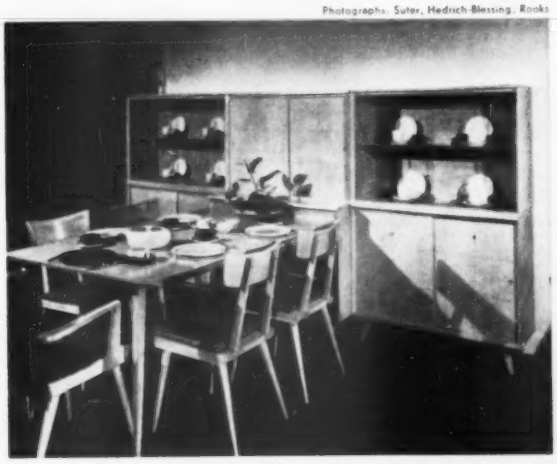

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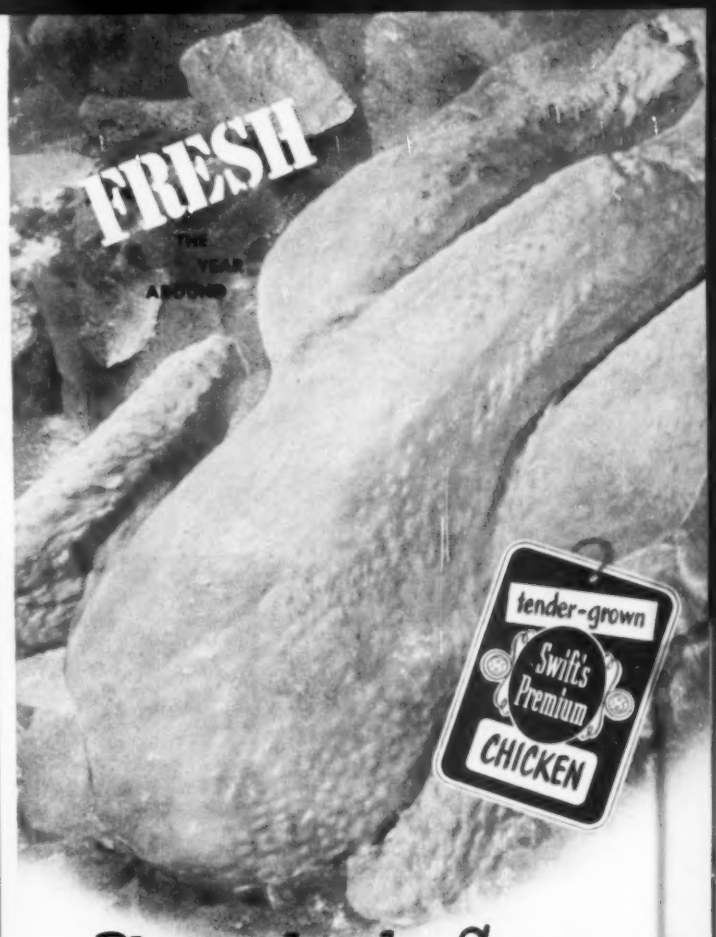

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The case of the

Disappearing dining table

By Carol Snell

Now you see it, now you don't. That's the way this dining table works. If space is at a premium in your home, you'll especially appreciate this sliding table arrangement.

The table slides on wooden runners between kitchen and living room, so you can set it in the kitchen and then slide it through the pass-through which divides the two rooms. This leaves space in a small living room free for entertaining both before and after dinner.

In the kitchen the table makes a fine place to eat breakfast or a quick snack. It provides that always-needed extra work space in the kitchen, too.

This disappearing dining table is from the Charles C. Muir home, Scottsdale, Arizona. Allen G. Murphy is the designer.

Pulled through to the living room, the table rests in front of a built-in window seat which substitutes for dining chairs on one side. Dishes, hot from the kitchen, can be served through the pass-through with a minimum of steps

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Once dinner is over, the table and its load of soiled dishes are pushed back into the kitchen and the pass-through door on the living-room side is dropped down. In no time at all, the small living-room area is ready for entertaining again

The pull-out dining table slides between the kitchen and living room on wooden runners. Here it has been set in the kitchen, and is ready to be drawn through the open pass-through to the area in the living room used as a "dining room"

Betty Crocker's

ONE EGG CAKE

USE ONLY WITH SOFTASILK

For success—*do these first:*

1. Have ingredients room temperature (70° to 75°). In hot weather, use milk and egg directly from refrigerator.
2. *Preheat* oven to 350° (moderate).
3. Grease *generously* and dust with flour 2 round layer pans, 8 x 1½-in., or 1 square pan, 9 x 9 x 1¾-in.
4. Measure *level* for accuracy with standard measuring cups and spoons.
5. *Sift* SOFTASILK Cake Flour. Then spoon it *lightly* into cup and level off. *Do not pack.*

Sift together into bowl
- **2 cups *sifted* SOFTASILK Cake Flour**
- **1 1/4 cups sugar**
- **2 1/2 tsp. double-action baking powder**
- **1 tsp. salt**

Add
- ***1/3 cup high grade shortening**
- **1 tsp. vanilla**
- **2/3 cup milk**

Beat vigorously with spoon for 2 minutes by clock (about 150 strokes per minute). You may rest a moment when beating by hand; just count actual beating time or strokes. *Or* mix with electric mixer on *medium speed* (middle of dial) for 2 minutes. Scrape sides and bottom of bowl constantly.

Add
- **1/3 cup milk**
- **1/4 cup unbeaten egg (1 large)**

Continue beating 2 more minutes, scraping bowl constantly. Pour batter into prepared pans or pan. Bake *layers 25 to 30 minutes; square cake 30 to 35 minutes, in moderate oven (350°).*

**such as Snowdrift, Crisco, Spry or Swift sing.*

CHOCOLATE ICING

Melt over hot water
- **3 sq. unsweetened chocolate (3 oz.)**
- **3 tbsp. butter or shortening**

Blend
- **3 cups *sifted* confectioners' sugar**
- **1/8 tsp. salt**
- **6 tbsp. milk**
- **1 tsp. vanilla**

Blend in ..... **the chocolate mixture**

Let stand until consistency to spread. *Makes icing for 2-layer 8-in. cake or 9-in. square cake.*

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Red-ripe tomatoes for easy treats

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Breaded Tomato Slices

Serve the crusty, tangy slices sizzling hot with crisp bacon, a cold fruit-mold salad, oven-warmed rolls. Some Sunday supper!—

Cut 3 firm, peeled tomatoes into thick slices; dip into fine cracker crumbs, then into mixture of 2 slightly beaten eggs, 1 tablespoon cream, ½ teaspoon salt, ⅛ teaspoon pepper; and again into crumbs. Pan-fry in hot fat; when brown on both sides, sprinkle with grated sharp American cheese and paprika. Cover pan and cook over low heat to melt cheese. Top with stuffed olives cut into lengthwise slices. Makes 4 servings.

Golden Corn Bake

Make this the sunny center of a vegetable plate—

Cut a slice from top of each of 6 large unpeeled tomatoes; scoop out part of each center. You can use these tomato bits in tossed salad tomorrow. Dice 1 small green pepper and mince 1 clove garlic. Cook in 2 tablespoons butter until green pepper is just tender, stirring constantly. Add 1 cup fresh or frozen cooked corn or 1 cup canned, drained whole kernel corn. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Fill tomato centers with corn mixture. Arrange in shallow baking dish. Bake in hot oven (425°) 15 minutes or until heated through. Makes 6 servings.

Top-hat Tomatoes

Inside each plump tomato, chilled cabbage shreds glisten in a tart dressing—

6 peeled tomatoes
2 to 3 tablespoons sugar
1 teaspoon salt
3 tablespoons vinegar
2 tablespoons salad oil
2 cups crisp, shredded cabbage
2 green onions, chopped

Cut cone from end of tomatoes opposite stem. Scoop out centers. Combine sugar, salt, vinegar, and salad oil. Toss lightly with cabbage and onions. Place in tomato cups. Top each with tomato cone. Makes 6 servings.

Halibut Swirl

Give the fillet a whirl to make it pretty. Bake it in a tomato cup for the tartness you like—

6 large tomatoes
Salt
Pepper
1½ pounds halibut fillets
3 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1 tablespoon chopped parsley
½ teaspoon salt

Spoon centers from tomatoes; sprinkle tomato cups with salt and pepper. Cut halibut in strips. Brush with butter; sprinkle with lemon juice, parsley, and salt. Roll up and place in tomato cups. Place in a shallow baking dish; add small amount of water. Bake in hot oven (425°) 30 minutes. Makes 6 servings.

Snow-capped Tomatoes

Everyone will be surprised when they taste the cottage cheese. It's delightfully seasoned, crunchy with cucumber bits—

½ cup cottage cheese
2 tablespoons sour cream
¼ cup peeled, diced cucumber
1 tablespoon minced onion
¼ teaspoon salt
Dash pepper
6 peeled tomatoes
6 green pepper rings
1 tablespoon chopped chives

Lightly mix cottage cheese, sour cream, cucumber, onion, salt, and pepper. Chill. Cut slice off top of tomatoes. Top each tomato with a green pepper ring, then spoon cottage-cheese mixture inside the pepper circle. Garnish with chives. Makes 6 servings.

Tomato-Egg Salad Star

Just the thing for luncheon on days when the temperature soars—

4 medium peeled tomatoes
Salt
3 hard-cooked eggs, chopped
½ medium cucumber, chopped
¼ cup chopped green pepper
2 tablespoons chopped green onion
¼ cup salad dressing

Cut tomatoes lengthwise in sixths, not quite through. Pull apart slightly. Sprinkle with salt. Combine remaining ingredients; spoon into center of tomatoes. Garnish by placing hard-cooked egg slices between each tomato wedge. Chill. Makes 4 servings.

Tomato Flowers

A bright hub for a tray of appetizers or a Dutch-lunch platter—

Turn tomato stem end down. Make five or six petals: Cut through skin but not into seed pockets; separate the petals from the center of tomato. Spread petals so rose is full-blown. Tuck a caulifloweret on the inside of each petal. Sprinkle center with sieved egg yolk. Tomato flower makes an individual salad, or a garnish for the meat platter or big salad bowl.

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CONTEST FOR COOKS

Prizes for your fish and seafood fix-ups, sour-cream recipes

FISH AND SEAFOOD fix-ups and sour-cream recipes share honors in this month's contest. We'll pay $10 to the good cook chosen Cook-of-the-Month. Twenty other winners will be mailed $5 each. Eight of the winning recipes will be pictured in Cooks' Round Table next March.

And remember, the winners of these 21 prizes will receive the *Better Homes & Gardens* Certificate of Endorsement and *six copies of the endorsed recipe.*

Hints to help you—

Fish and seafood fix-ups include all those many ways you fix whole fish, fillets, steaks, shellfish—fresh, frozen, or canned. To start your thinking, we give you a short list of suggestions.

- baked or broiled fish
- seafood salads
- fish casseroles
- tuna or salmon specials
- fish soups and chowders
- shellfish favorites
- seafood appetizers
- fish sauces and garnishes

Sour-cream recipes have an old-fashioned goodness. Whether your best recipe is a dessert, main dish, cooky, or candy, we want to hear about it. Your favorite may be one of these, or your family's choice.

Sour-cream recipes for:

- salad dressings
- cakes, cookies, pies
- rich candies
- tender quick breads
- delicious casseroles
- marinade for meat

Contest rules—

1. Write your recipe clearly on one side of the paper. Send but one recipe at a time and mark it, "March Fish and Seafood Fix-ups" or "March Sour-cream Recipes."
2. Print your full name and address clearly in upper right corner of recipe page.
3. Give measurements in *level* cups, tablespoons, teaspoons, never in heaping or scant measurements.
4. Be sure to specify in your recipe the brand names of the *nationally* known food products you use as ingredients—products available everywhere. We must know them so we can test your recipe with the same brands you use.
5. Include 50 to 100 words about the history or origin of the recipe you submit.
6. All recipes submitted become the property of *Better Homes & Gardens*.
7. Entries must be postmarked by midnight, August 31.
8. Address the recipes you enter to 5408 Tasting-Test Kitchen, *Better Homes & Gardens*, Des Moines 3, Iowa.

This month's winners

(*See recipes on pages 75 and 76*)

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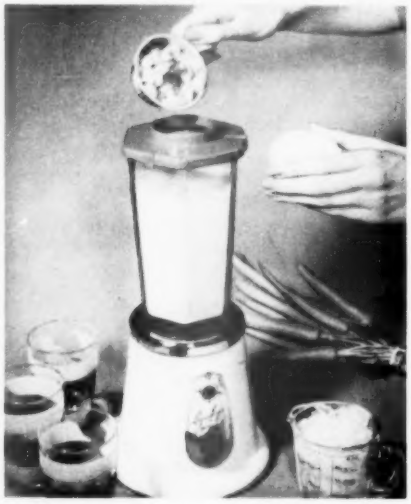

Orange Pep-up. If you're feeling on the hot and wilted side, whirl up this frosty vitamin drink in your liquidizer. It'll combine frozen orange juice, pineapple juice, diced carrots, and crushed ice into a tasty refresher

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Peach Smoothie. Frozen peaches flavor a luscious, low-calorie cooler. It's so thick you drink it through fat straws. But instead of adding ice cream, you let blender whip crushed ice, nonfat dry milk into a smooth treat

Want your weight to go up or down on the scale? Then try some of these blender tricks for adding sparkle to meals and snacks

If you'd like to gain weight

Banana Milk Shake. Put cup of milk, big spoonful of ice cream in blender.

Break a banana into chunks; add to milk. You might drop in an egg, too.

For a malt, add 1 tablespoon malted-milk powder. In 10 seconds you'll pour out a banana-flavored builder-upper.

Blender Fudge Sauce. It is speedy to make, an easy way to add calories.

You grate unsweetened chocolate while the milk heats. Place ingredients in liquefier-blender.

It smooths all to a thick sundae topping. Liquefier-blender chops nuts, too.

Avocado Dip. A bowl of this cool, creamy snack will tempt you to be a cracker-muncher.

Start dip with mayonnaise made in blender. Recipe's on page 86. Add seasonings; drop in avocado, a few slices at a time.

Scrape dip into serving bowl. Top with crisp bacon chopped in blender, too. Then pitch in.

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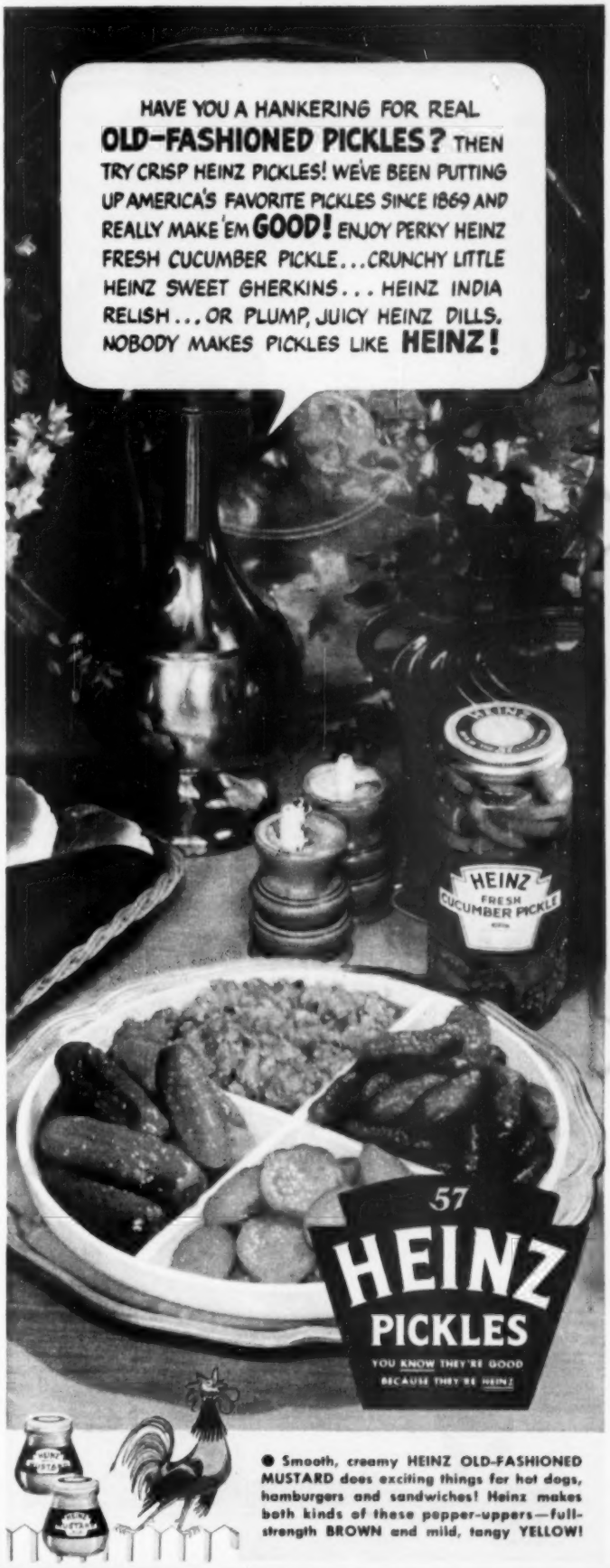

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Count on an electric blender

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Orange Pep-up

A frosty thirst quencher that's chock-full of vitamins—

½ cup pineapple juice
½ cup cold water
1 tablespoon lemon juice
½ cup diced carrots
1 6-ounce can frozen orange juice concentrate
1 cup crushed ice

Place pineapple juice, water, and lemon juice in blender. While it's running, gradually add diced carrots and chunks of frozen orange juice. Add crushed ice and blend until smooth, about 1 minute. Makes 3 cups.

One-minute Mayonnaise

Well seasoned, a whiz to make—

1 cup salad oil
1 tablespoon vinegar
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1 egg
½ teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon paprika
¼ teaspoon dry mustard
Dash of cayenne

Pour ¼ cup of the oil into blender. Add vinegar, lemon juice, egg, and seasonings. Cover and blend 5 seconds. While blender is still running, take off cover and pour in remaining salad oil in a steady stream. Turn off blender immediately. Makes 1½ cups.

Blender Fudge Sauce

It's rich and thick—fast because you don't cook it—

2 1-ounce squares unsweetened chocolate
⅓ cup warm milk
½ cup sugar
Dash salt
½ teaspoon vanilla
1 tablespoon soft butter

Grate chocolate coarsely while milk is heating. Place all ingredients in blender. Blend until smooth, about 2 minutes. Makes ¾ cup.

Peach Smoothie

So thick you'll think it's made with ice cream—

½ 12-ounce package frozen peaches
½ cup cold water
2 tablespoons lemon juice
3 tablespoons nonfat dry milk
1 cup crushed ice

Cut package of frozen peaches in two. Thaw one half slightly and break it apart. Place water, lemon juice, and nonfat dry milk in the blender. Turn it on and gradually add small chunks of frozen peaches and the crushed ice. Blend until smooth, about 30 seconds. Makes 2½ cups. Use remaining frozen peaches for a second batch of these milk shakes.

Avocado Dip

With just enough tang—

3 slices bacon
½ cup mayonnaise
1 small slice onion
1 tablespoon lemon juice
Dash salt
5 drops Tabasco sauce
1 cup sliced avocado (1 medium)

Fry bacon until crisp. Drain. Place in blender; turn it on until bacon is chopped, about 15 seconds. Set bacon aside. Put mayonnaise, onion, lemon juice, salt, and Tabasco sauce in blender. Blend about 10 seconds. Gradually add sliced avocado. Blend till smooth. Scrape avocado mixture into serving bowl and top with the chopped bacon. Makes about 1 cup.

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Carefree bar-b-q

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out on the lawn before sundown.

One family's favorite supper is pictured on page 64. The lovely terrace is part of the yard of the Max L. Holmes family in Des Moines, Iowa. Over on the fireplace, roasting to a turn: Tender chunks of choice beef; perfect little red-ripe tomatoes; mild, sweet onions and crisp slices of green pepper; new potatoes in their jackets. (Precook the potatoes and the onions; give the meat a good, long dunking in a marinade of your own making—see below—or in a bottled barbecue sauce.)

Each kind of food, you'll notice, gets its own spear so it will cook just right. Give it all a good dash of salt and fresh pepper, and a swish of melted butter occasionally for good flavor. The butter brushing is a good job for an aspiring cook of a more tender age.

When everything's done just the way Dad says it ought to be, he swings a skewerful over to the table and pushes a serving onto each plate. You have the big, crisp salad all tossed. The bread's keeping cozy by the fire. (No dinky slices; good, thick cuts so folks can toast it if they like.) Coffee's ready to pour into the big mugs.

And there's no trotting back to the kitchen for dessert. It's the tempting centerpiece of chilled fruit, cheese—a square of sharp American, husky wedge of blue cheese, half-moon of Edam—and an assortment of crisp crackers. This is a delicious dessert to linger over with the last cups of hot coffee and the lazy, companionable talk that goes with the flicker of candlelight and glowing embers.

For you who are true outdoors fans, we include three more barbecues. Each is the kind of meal you want for an evening under the stars, whether you're serving the family or a crowd. Recipes are given for the foods starred.

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*Fresh Apple Pie**
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Real Western Roundup

*Special Barbecued Ribs**
Cowboy Potatoes
*Roasted Corn on the Cob**
Summer Coleslaw
*Quick Garlic French Bread**
Cantaloupe Sundae
Iced Tea or Iced Coffee

Fireside Picnic

*Barbecued Frankfurter Bake**
Garden Relish Plate
*Potato Salad**
Toasted Coney Buns
Wedges of Watermelon
Iced Lemonade or Hot Coffee

[*Turn to next page*

TRY THIS
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TABASCO* Scrambled Eggs

4 eggs • Milk or cream • ¼ tsp. salt
⅛ tsp. TABASCO • Butter

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AT GROCERS

Carefree bar-b-q

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Beef Marinade

For memorable kabobs, give husky cubes of beef this pep-up; then toast to perfection over charcoal fire—

- ½ cup salad oil
- ¼ cup vinegar
- ¼ cup chopped onion
- 1 teaspoon salt
- Dash pepper
- 2 teaspoons meat sauce or Worcestershire sauce
- 2 pounds lean beef round or chuck, cut in 1-inch cubes

Combine all ingredients except meat. Mix well. Add meat and let marinate 1 hour. Skewer and roast 6 to 8 minutes on each side. To turn, guide skewer with spatula. Makes 6 servings.

Burger Mix

A quick hamburger barbecue that's just right for a cookout—

- 1 pound hamburger
- 1½ cups chopped onion
- 1½ cups chopped celery
- 1 teaspoon salt
- Pepper
- 1 10½- or 11-ounce can condensed tomato soup
- 1½ teaspoons barbecue sauce

Brown meat in small amount of hot fat. Add onion and celery; cook until golden. Add remaining ingredients. Cover. Simmer 30 minutes. Serve immediately on toasted buns. Makes 6 servings.

Succotash

Corn and Limas get together for a pretty green-and-gold favorite—

- 2 cups fresh corn, cooked and drained
- 2 cups fresh Lima beans, cooked and drained
- 3 tablespoons butter or margarine
- Salt and pepper
- ½ cup light cream or top milk

Combine vegetables in double boiler; add butter, seasonings, and cream; heat thoroughly. Makes 6 servings.

Fresh Apple Pie

That old-fashioned treat that's certain to be a hit with the men—

- 5 to 7 tart apples
- ¾ to 1 cup sugar
- 2 tablespoons enriched flour
- ⅛ teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- ¼ teaspoon nutmeg
- 1 recipe Plain Pastry
- 2 tablespoons butter or margarine

Pare apples and slice thin; add sugar mixed with flour, salt, and spices; fill 9-inch pastry-lined pie-pan. Dot with butter. If apples aren't tart, add 1 tablespoon lemon juice. Adjust top crust. Bake in hot oven (450°) 10 minutes, then in moderate oven (350°) about 40 minutes. **Rim trims:** Trim lower pastry ½ inch beyond edge of pie-pan. Roll top crust so edges will match lower crust; cut slits for the steam to puff through. Dampen edge of lower crust with water. Lay top crust on filled pie. Pinch edges together. Cut scallops with tip of teaspoon, bowl side of spoon down. Then mark with tines of fork. For a shiny top, brush your pie top with milk.

Roasted Corn on the Cob

This is for outdoor chefs who like their corn done Indian-style—

Remove outer husks. Turn back inner husks; remove silks. Replace inner husks. Place corn on grill. Turn often. Roast 12 to 15 minutes. Husks will brown, but corn will be delicious. Serve with butter, salt, and pepper. For browner, sweeter corn, continue roasting.

Special Barbecued Ribs

They are so delicious because you give them a spicy rubdown—

- 1 tablespoon celery seed
- 1 tablespoon chili powder
- ¾ cup brown sugar
- 1 tablespoon salt
- 1 teaspoon paprika
- 2½ pounds loin back ribs
- 1 8-ounce can (1 cup) tomato sauce
- ¼ cup vinegar

Combine celery seed, chili powder, sugar, salt, and paprika. Rub about ⅓ of mixture on ribs. To remaining mixture, add tomato sauce and vinegar. Heat and use to baste ribs. Cook ribs over low heat until tender, basting frequently with the barbecue sauce. Makes 4 servings.

Quick Garlic Bread

The trick is to use garlic powder—

Sprinkle ¼ teaspoon garlic powder over ½ cup soft butter or margarine. Cut loaf of French bread into diagonal 1-inch slices to ½ inch from bottom of loaf. Spread butter between slices and over top. Wrap loaf in aluminum foil or put in paper bag. Heat in moderate oven (350°) 10 to 15 minutes. Serve hot.

Barbecued Frankfurter Bake

A brief 15 minutes in the oven; then you can call the gang—

- 8 to 10 frankfurters
- ¼ cup chopped onion
- 2 teaspoons sugar
- ¾ teaspoon dry mustard
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- ⅛ teaspoon pepper
- 1 teaspoon paprika
- 3 tablespoons vinegar
- 6 tablespoons catsup
- 2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce
- ½ cup water

Split frankfurters in half lengthwise and place cut side down in 6x10-inch shallow baking dish. Pour **Barbecue Sauce** over: Cook onion in hot fat until golden. Add remaining ingredients. Simmer 15 minutes. Pour over frankfurters. Bake in moderate oven (350°) 15 minutes. Baste frequently. Makes 4 to 5 servings.

Potato Salad

Just the way you like it, with crisp celery and cool diced cucumber—

- 4 potatoes, cooked in jackets (3 cups cubed)
- 1 onion, chopped
- 2 hard-cooked eggs, sliced
- ⅔ cup chopped celery
- ⅓ cup chopped green pepper
- ½ cucumber, diced
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon paprika
- 3 tablespoons French dressing
- Mayonnaise

Combine ingredients except dressings; chill and marinate in French dressing 4 to 6 hours. Just before serving, add mayonnaise and mix carefully. Line salad bowl with garden lettuce; fill with salad. Garnish with parsley, slices of hard-cooked egg, wedges of tomato. Makes 4 to 5 servings.

Tips for outdoor cooks

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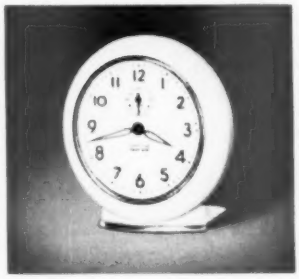

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For novel way to serve, See Page 78

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Before-grill appetizer: Chill cans of consommé till jellied. Serve cold in paper cups with crisp relishes—carrot strips, celery, radishes.

Jacket-browned potatoes on a stick: Scrub small potatoes and string on long skewers. Stand upright in a can of boiling water (use tall coffee or juice cans). Cook until tender. Remove potatoes from can and brush with oil. Season; brown on grill.

Hot rolls really hot: Warm rolls in a large coffee can. Lay can on grill and roll frequently for even heating.

Toasted French bread: Slice loaf of French bread in half lengthwise and butter cut surfaces. Run two skewers through each half. Balance on top of cans or sticks above heat so bread will toast to a golden turn.

Kabob sandwiches: String small cubes of tender beef or lamb on skewers. Broil quickly. Slide meat off skewers into hollowed-out, buttered Coney buns. Pass catsup and mustard.

Picnic snack: Run 2 skewers lengthwise through big salami sausage for easy turning. When meat's hot, cut in cubes and let everybody spear his own.

Shish-kabob tip: Before spearing meat, grease skewer by running it through a piece of fat. For extra flavor, run it through a garlic clove.

Hot buttered popcorn: Popcorn over the coals in a wire popper. Put in a big pan and pour melted butter over; sprinkle lightly with Parmesan cheese if you want popcorn to have a sharp tang.

Roasted nuts: Use last embers of the dying coals to roast California walnuts or peanuts in the shell. Place nuts in a wire popper; shake to heat evenly. Serve hot with plenty of salt.

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Old-fashioned peach pie

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Sour-cream Coleslaw

½ medium-sized head cabbage	½ teaspoon salt
½ cup sour cream	⅛ teaspoon pepper
2 tablespoons vinegar	2 tablespoons sugar

Chill cabbage thoroughly. Shred fine. Measure about 4 cups. Combine remaining ingredients; pour over cabbage. Mix lightly. Sprinkle with paprika. Makes 6 servings.

Golden Peach Pie
(Fresh peaches)

Here's the peach pie of your dreams. Be sure to make it often while peaches are easy on your pocketbook—

¾ cup sugar	2 tablespoons butter or margarine
2 to 3 tablespoons enriched flour	1 recipe Plain Pastry
¼ teaspoon cinnamon	
5 cups sliced, peeled fresh peaches	

Combine sugar, flour, and cinnamon. Add to peaches; mix lightly. Spread in 9-inch pastry-lined piepan. Dot with butter. Adjust lattice top crust; flute edges. Bake in hot oven (400°) 45 to 50 minutes. **Note:** Use ¼ cup brown sugar for part of sugar if desired.

Golden Peach Pie
(Canned peaches)

It's as flavor-perfect as it is easy to make—

1 tablespoon cornstarch	⅛ teaspoon almond extract
1 cup peach syrup	Dash salt
1 tablespoon lemon juice	½ teaspoon grated orange peel
1 tablespoon butter or margarine	3 cups drained, canned peaches

Make a paste of cornstarch and small amount peach syrup. Add remaining peach syrup. Cook over low heat till thick, stirring constantly. Remove from heat. Stir in lemon juice, butter, almond extract, salt, and grated orange peel. Add peaches. Spoon into 8-inch pastry-lined piepan. Adjust lattice top crust; crimp edge. Bake in hot oven (400°) 45 to 50 minutes.

Plain Pastry

1½ cups enriched flour	½ cup shortening
½ teaspoon salt	4 to 5 tablespoons cold water

Sift together flour and salt; cut in shortening with a pastry-blender or blending fork until pieces are the size of small peas. Add water by teaspoonfuls, tossing with a fork until all the flour-coated bits of fat are barely dampened. Turn mixture onto a square of waxed paper. Gather up corners, pressing from outside to form compact ball. Divide for lower and upper crust. Chill for easier handling. Roll pastry ⅛ inch thick on lightly floured surface. Fit pastry for bottom crust loosely into piepan. Let pastry extend ½ inch beyond rim. For lattice top, cut strips of dough about ½ inch wide with pastry wheel or knife. Lay lengthwise strips on top of filled pie at half-inch intervals. Fold back alternate lengthwise strips to help you weave crosswise strips over and under. Trim ends, letting them extend to outer rim. Fold edge of bottom crust over ends of lattice; seal. Crimp edges.

Cheeseburger Logs in Coney Buns

One pound of beef makes 8 yummy servings. How economical can we get?—

1 pound ground beef	½ teaspoon salt
½ cup crisp rice cereal	Dash pepper
½ cup dry bread crumbs	1 egg
¾ cup catsup	2 slices sharp American cheese
	8 Coney buns

Combine ground beef, cereal, bread crumbs, catsup, salt, pepper, and egg. Mix well. Form into 8 log-shaped rolls. Make a groove down center of each log. Cut cheese in narrow strips. Press into groove. Pat meat mixture to cover cheese completely. In the oven, broil 3 to 5 inches from heat 10 to 15 minutes; or outdoors, broil over charcoal until done. Serve in buttered Coney buns.

Savory Zucchini Halves

Tender, young green squash with good meat flavor cooked in—

1½ pounds zucchini squash	1 cube or 1 tablespoon concentrated meat extract
4½ tablespoons butter or margarine	
1 tablespoon grated onion	

Wash zucchini, cut off ends, and halve lengthwise. Heat butter in skillet. Stir in onion. Add concentrated meat extract cube; crush. Lay squash halves in mixture, cut side down, and cook until golden brown. Turn. Cover, and cook over low heat until zucchini is tender, about 10 minutes. Makes 4 to 5 servings.

Orange Pears a la Mode

If you're looking for a delicious, new kind of sundae, try this—

4 pears	¼ cup water
½ cup sugar	1½ teaspoons grated orange peel
¾ cup orange juice	Vanilla ice cream

Pare, halve, and core pears. Heat sugar, orange juice, and water to boiling. Add pears. Simmer, covered, until pears are tender, about 20 minutes. Remove fruit; add orange peel. Simmer syrup 3 to 5 minutes longer, or to desired consistency. Chill. Serve as topper for vanilla ice cream. Makes 8 servings.

Fluffy Blueberry Pancakes

1 well-beaten egg	2½ teaspoons baking powder
1 cup milk	2 tablespoons sugar
3 tablespoons melted butter or margarine	¾ teaspoon salt
1¼ cups enriched flour	1 cup fresh, frozen, or drained canned blueberries

Preheat griddle. Combine egg, milk, butter, and sour cream. Sift dry ingredients. Gradually add to liquid, using rotary beater. Fold in blueberries. Test griddle by dropping a few drops cold water on it. If drops "dance" on griddle, it is hot enough. Grease griddle lightly. Drop batter by tablespoonfuls on griddle to make 4-inch pancakes. Cook over low heat until underside is golden brown. Turn and brown on opposite side. Serve immediately. Makes 10 to 12 pancakes.

Meal-in-a-Bowl Salad

A hearty, guaranteed to please the men—

½ head lettuce	2 tablespoons crumbled blue cheese, if desired
1 cup chopped fresh spinach	5 slices bacon, chopped
2 tomatoes, cut in wedges	¼ cup vinegar
1 tablespoon chopped green onion	½ teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
1 cup summer sausage, cut in strips	½ cup bacon fat
1 cup bologna, cut in strips	

Break lettuce into bite-sized pieces in salad bowl. Add spinach, tomatoes, onion, summer sausage, bologna, and cheese. Fry bacon until crisp. Drain on absorbent paper. Add to salad. Add vinegar and Worcestershire sauce to bacon fat. Pour over salad and toss lightly. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

Best-ever Lima Bake

You haven't really become acquainted with Limas till you try these—

3 slices bacon	1 teaspoon prepared mustard
¼ cup minced onion	1 teaspoon salt
½ cup chopped celery	Dash pepper
⅔ cup light molasses	3 cups cooked, dried Limas
⅓ cup catsup	¾ cup cooking liquor from beans

Cut bacon slices in small pieces; fry until crisp; remove. Cook onion and celery gently in bacon fat until golden but not brown; add remaining ingredients and cooked bacon bits. Pour into greased, shallow 1½-quart casserole. Bake in moderate oven (350°) 1 hour. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

Peachy Peach Shortcake

Feather-light biscuits topped and centered with juicy, golden slices—

2 cups cake flour	½ cup buttermilk or sour milk
½ teaspoon salt	3 cups sliced fresh peaches
3 teaspoons baking powder	¼ to ½ cup sugar
½ teaspoon soda	1 teaspoon cinnamon
¼ cup sugar	Heavy cream
½ cup shortening	

Sift flour with salt, baking powder, soda, and ¼ cup sugar. Cut in shortening until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Add buttermilk. Mix just until dough follows fork around bowl. Pat out in greased 8-inch square pan. Bake in hot oven (425°) 20 minutes. Split hot shortcake. Fill and top with sliced peaches, sprinkled with remaining sugar and cinnamon. Serve with cream, plain or whipped. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

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- 1 quart silver-skinned onions
- 1 quart green tomatoes, chopped coarse
- 2 red sweet peppers, chopped fine
- 1 large cauliflower, broken into small pieces
- 1 quart water
- ½ cup salt
- 6 tablespoons Colman's Mustard
- 1 tablespoon French's Turmeric
- 1 cup flour
- 2 cups sugar
- 2 quarts vinegar

Wash vegetables; cover with brine solution made by mixing water and salt. Let stand 24 hours, bring to boil in same solution. Drain thoroughly. Mix together remaining ingredients, and cook until thickened. Stir in vegetables; heat thoroughly; empty into hot sterilized glass jars; seal. Yield: about 12 pints.

SLICED CUCUMBER PICKLES

- 30 small cucumbers
- 1 quart small onions
- 1 cup salt

Slice cucumbers and onions. Cover with brine solution (one cup of salt to one gallon water). Let stand overnight. In the morning drain and make the following dressing:

- 1 quart vinegar
- 2 teaspoons French's Celery Seed
- 2 teaspoons French's Cinnamon
- 2 cups sugar
- 2 teaspoons Colman's Dry Mustard
- ½ teaspoon French's Cayenne Pepper

Combine ingredients in order given and heat to boiling point. Add sliced cucumbers and onions and simmer twenty minutes. Remove from fire and place immediately in sterilized jars and seal. Yield: about 6 to 8 pints.

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- 1 teaspoon salt
- ½ cup ketchup

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floor space

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If you've been shortchanged on closets, take a long look at this new wardrobe. It's an old idea, restyled to go with Contemporary furnishings.

And though it takes little more floor space than a bedroom chest, it combines drawers and shelf with a section for hanging clothes. Doors are of cane, for ventilation.

Bed headboards are becoming more and more storage-conscious. This one has shelf units flanking the bed. Two drop-down leaves make generous-sized bedside tables; they fold up quickly to hide clutter. Reading lamp with flexible "gooseneck" twists back above telephone when shelf is closed. The whole unit takes no more floor space than bed and two tables, but provides you with more usable storage space

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¼ cup French's Onion Flakes
2 tablespoons butter or margarine
4 cups canned baked beans
2 tablespoons French's Prepared Mustard
2 peeled or 1 cup tomatoes
1 teaspoon salt
2 tablespoons brown sugar

Cook onion flakes in butter over low heat until soft. Add to beans. Stir in mustard. Put half the beans in pot or casserole. Slice half the tomato on top. Sprinkle on half the salt and sugar. Add remaining beans. Top with tomato, salt, brown sugar. Bake 30 minutes in hot oven (400° F.). Serves 6.

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Topping: Beat **3 egg whites** and **¼ tsp. salt** until stiff but not dry. Gradually add **¾ tsp. cream of tartar** and **6 tbsp. sugar** and beat until very stiff; fold in **1 tsp. vanilla.**

Pack **1 quart** of very firm **Swift's Strawberry Ice Cream** into the cold pastry shell. Pile topping lightly over ice cream and spread to rim of pastry. Cover ice cream completely. Do this very quickly. Bake in a very hot oven (450°F.) only 3 minutes, until delicately brown. Serve immediately.

Try it sometime with Swift's Peppermint Ice Cream or Swift's Chocolate or Raspberry Mar-bel Ice Cream.

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Be more comfortable at home

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The Harold Pischel garden, in a section of San Francisco where houses are spaced closely, demonstrates the versatility and spacesaving advantages of a planting plan with an open center for the area back of the house.

Its owners had a clear conception of what they needed most when they set about to remodel outdoors. The Pischels wanted—first—dry play space and a sandbox for their youngsters. A flight of wood steps from the house split the garden in half, and they wanted more practical access. They also wanted room to sit, relax, and entertain, as well as the luxury of grass and flowers.

The solution meant taking out some trees to let in sun, and freeing valuable space in the center by moving the steps.

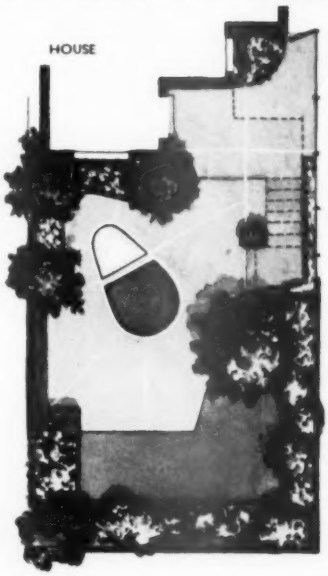
By enclosing their garden with a wood fence—with space between boards for ventilation—they got needed privacy. The built-in bench that's part of the fence gives them seating space for any occasion. For the children, it doubles as a temporary playtable.

Paving around the grass plot in the center of the outdoor

The terrace half of the Pischel family garden is paved with concrete, stained tan, to form a smooth, durable, washable, good-looking surface.

The lawn furniture can be pushed about where it's wanted without friction.

The whole sweep can be seen from the house, and supervision of children playing outdoors is no problem.



Pischel garden and outdoor space measures 30x40 feet.

Plants are massed at corners and around perimeter, with exception of tree that partly shades the terrace.

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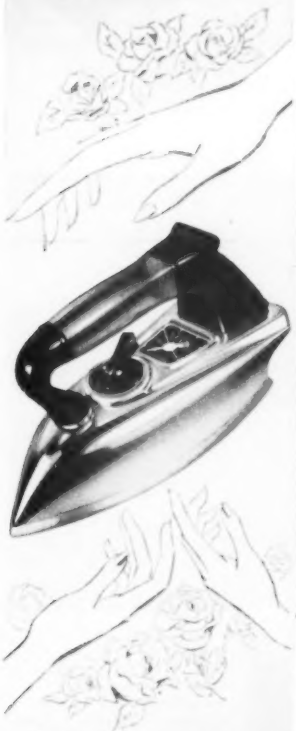

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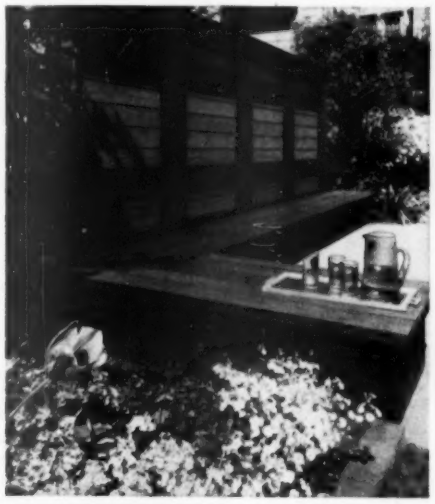
living space provides smooth wheeling for the tricycles of the younger Pischels, and dry, firm footing for the entire family throughout the year.

Shrubs and flowers are concentrated around the boundary, where they help screen the private area.

In planning a new property, or reorganizing an old one like the Pischels', put convenience first. You'll reduce maintenance work by eliminating long hedges that need regular trimmings. Avoid placing trees, flower beds, or ornaments where they'll need hand clipping.



An outstanding comfort feature of the built-in seat-bench of many uses is the tilted seat back. The easy-on-the-back angle is accomplished by inserting wedges of wood between the board that serves as the back rest and vertical posts of the fence-wall. Seat could be adapted for storage easily

You've got to consider all ages when planning a terrace for outdoor living. Children respond to a place all their own, and it's best for you if they'll be within sight but not underfoot. To build in a sandbox is easy when a terrace is under construction. Cover of outdoor plywood protects it

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Indoor-outdoor living—arranged for full family use and welded into a compact whole—give the Hummels what they want when skies are bright and temperatures soar. Family and friends relax together; hospitality is natural.

Brick retaining walls about 2 feet high enclose the concrete shuffleboard court and the brick-on-sand paved area, which together are about 20 feet wide at the widest point. Outdoor space can be freshened easily with a hose. Room for the court and entire terrace was raised and leveled above grade of the lot, which has 95-foot frontage.

Full 52-foot shuffleboard court fits neatly into short back yard. It's close at hand for a game right after dinner, that's eaten inside or on terrace.

Light from the bulb in roof jog above makes court available for use after dark.

Garden tools, sprays, and equipment are housed snugly in a jog of chimney and house wall. Cupboard, with wide door, is of upright panels.

Work calendar and pencil on string inside the door leave nothing to memory.

Opposite tool-storage unit, next wood slat fence, are compost pits and storage space for plant food.

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Famous foods from famous places

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recipes, spotlighting foods on elegant china or crystal. Yes, you'll even be using sterling at Lowell Inn.

Let's chat with Nell a bit. She tells us proudly that she's watched many youngsters who had their first meal out (high-chair style) at Lowell Inn, graduate to dining chairs. Now they return for birthday parties, have their wedding receptions there.

Just look at the gorgeous Ribbon Cake, garnished with cool grapes, page 68, and you'll know why the whole family likes to celebrate at Lowell Inn. If it's your birthday, you make a wish on the first piece. This same four-layer beauty is made for anniversaries—if the 25th anniversary, the cake is served on all-silver service.

Now see the tender Blueberry Pie, top of page 69. It's made the old-fashioned way, just berries sweetened with sugar, made rich with butter. Can't beat it for fresh flavor—blueberries are brought in daily by the Indians.

Brook trout (see picture, center, page 69) is the most famed specialty of the house. You may seine your own right in the Garden Room! Each day the fish are put into a natural, spring-fed fountain-pool in the dining room. Trout is *fresh, fresh, fresh*—and pan-fried to order.

Memory Salad, bottom picture, page 69, is a delightful combination that makes a party of a summer luncheon. Colorful fruits with the flavors you love best are artistically arranged, accented with the aristocrats of garden salad greens.

For these recipes and other favorites of Lowell Inn, see below.

Cucumber Sandwiches

Fresh-as-a-breeze filling to serve with fish or seafood salads—

4 cups peeled, paper-thin cucumber slices
3 teaspoons salt
2 tablespoons chopped onion
Dash pepper

Place cucumber slices in bowl, sprinkling each layer with salt; be sure salt reaches every slice. Let stand 2 hours for juice to seep out. Squeeze slices as dry as possible; chop fine. Mix with onion and pepper. Chill. Spread on thin slices of buttered whole-wheat bread to make double-deckers. Trim off crusts. Cut the sandwiches criss-cross into fourths. Makes enough filling for 4 sandwiches.

Lowell Inn Crescent Rolls

These are delicately sweet and oh so tender—perfect with a cool fruit salad—

2 packages active dry yeast or 2 cakes compressed yeast
¼ cup water
¼ cup butter
¼ cup shortening
½ cup sugar
¾ teaspoon salt
2 well-beaten eggs
4 cups enriched flour
½ cup milk, scalded

Soften active dry yeast in ¼ cup *warm* water; compressed yeast in ¼ cup *lukewarm* water. Cream but-

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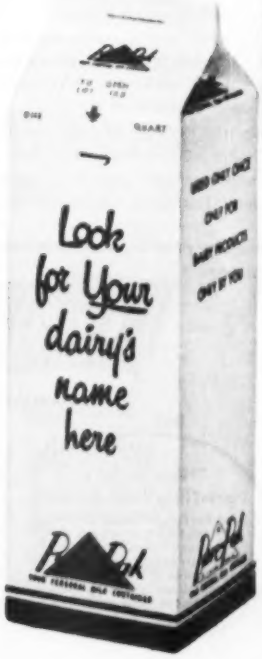

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Cooler-offers

By Virginia Blodgett

When it comes to living comfortably in summer's heat, Fido has the right idea! A smart dog simply crawls under the porch or a leafy shrub and dozes the day away stretched out on the cool, black earth. But since we can't very well do likewise, here are other, more practical ways to beat the heat:

Ignore the temperature. If the mercury is reaching record-breaking heights, you'll be better off not knowing it. You might levy a fine on the family for talking about the temperature, with a complaint costing the guilty party frosted malts for the rest.

Be calm and collected, and scoff at torrid temperatures. It's hard to beat the heat if you're hurried and harried.

Serve buffet-style meals quickly and easily, direct from the kitchen. Invite all to sit where they please—even on the back steps may be a relaxing change. Let everyone wander off where they will, with their dinner trays. Solitude can be soothing to heat-frayed tempers.

Plan some meals as "at home" picnics, with paper plates and cups to cut down dishwashing.

Chill after-shave lotion and cologne on the bottom shelf of the refrigerator. They are far more refreshing if they're cold. Store lipsticks in the same place; they won't melt and get oily and messy.

Invest in shorts—a trim-looking pair for informal wear at home. You may not be a Mr. or Mrs. America, but who cares as long as you're cool and comfortable!

Cut housework down to necessities, getting as much done as possible in the cool of the morning.

Set aside a siesta during the heat of the afternoon, if you can work it into your schedule. First soak yourself in a tub of tepid water, pat dry with a big towel, and stretch out on the bed in a darkened room. If the room is warm, here's a good trick for cooling it: Aim a fan across a bowl of ice cubes (faced away from your body to avoid a direct draft).

If you like to close your eyes and imagine you're in the cool quiet of the north woods, pour a little pine oil over the ice cubes.

Substitute some sheer nylon or bleached muslin curtains for heavy draperies. Fabrics and textures play an important part in summer comfort.

Slipcover nubby woolen upholstery in a smooth, cool-to-the-touch cotton.

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Arrange furniture from your easy chair

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lanes—paths about two feet wide that lead from one door to another most conveniently. Mark your plan to show which way the doors swing. Plan all furniture placements so that they do not interfere with traffic lanes or door openings. Leave an aisle about four feet (four squares) clear at the entrance, where your guests will gang up, coming and going.

When you place heavy furniture, conform to the architecture of the room. Large, straight pieces *parallel* or at *right angles* to the wall are not rigid and stiff, but restful. Avoid cater-cornered arrangements; they waste space, destroy symmetry. Chairs with curved backs can be placed at angles successfully, because they have variety of line in themselves. But straight chairs look best against walls.

Decorating rules make much of the necessity of a "focal point." That means, if you have a picture window or a fireplace, that's a natural spot around which to arrange your main conversational grouping. If you don't have the window or fireplace, you can make a focal point of bookshelves, a television set, or a handsome picture arrangement.

Try to plan this main conversation grouping to seat six persons within eight feet (or eight squares) of each other. That's easy talking distance. Your dining table—if it's in your living room—should be placed near the kitchen door. Allow 18 inches clear behind chairs on each side, for convenience in seating and serving.

As you arrange and rearrange your paper cutouts, try to visualize how your rooms will react to different situations. Ask yourself questions like these: Can Dad read his paper, undisturbed by the passing traffic or conversation? Can Sister clear the dining table without disrupting after-dinner chatter? What happens when more than two guests drop in?

If you have to turn your room topsy-turvy in order to accommodate a few extra guests, there's something wrong in your planning. You need another chair session with your furniture cutouts.

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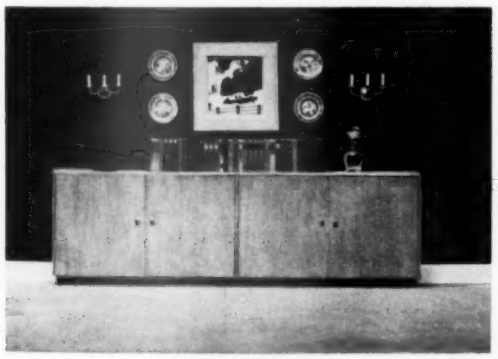

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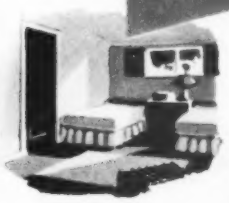

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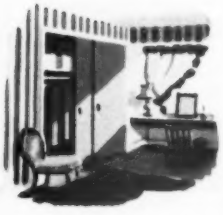

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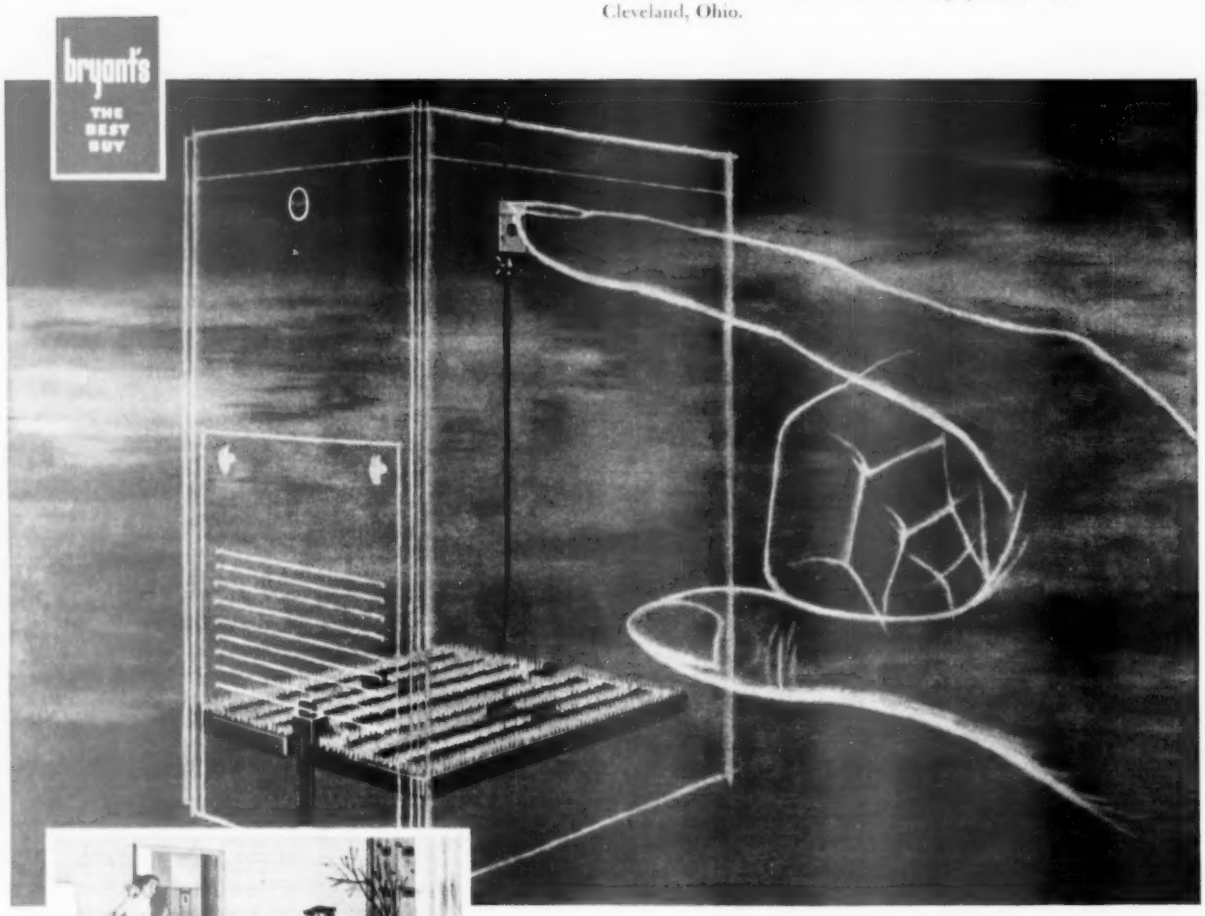

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epics have been written, is nowhere better than on the Cape and out on the islands. Clams and oysters, fish or duckling, Indian pudding or Cape strawberries—all the bounty of the sea and the land can be purchased at a restaurant counter or carried out on the shore where the surf provides the dinner music. For dining well and sleeping well, rest and relaxation, the Cape and the islands occupy a favored niche in my memory. If you'd like to have an unhurried vacation for a change, no other place in the United States can fill your requirements so amply.

The trip will cost pretty much what you want to make it cost. Allow $11 as a bedrock sum for gas and oil. For visits to museums and historic houses, most of which charge 25 to 30 cents per person, set aside $10. For sight-seeing bus trips on the islands, figure on $30. You can "do" the islands a lot less expensively by renting bicycles at a dollar a day per person.

"Beach buggies" or jeeps, which you drive yourself, can be rented on the islands for $10 to $12 a day, and serve as a substitute for the sight-seeing bus. The best bet is to leave your car at Woods Hole, on Cape Cod, and use local transportation on Nantucket and Martha's Vineyard. Space for autos on the Martha's Vineyard-Nantucket ferryboat is limited and generally reserved long in advance by the summer residents. Without an auto, the short boat trip from Woods Hole to both islands and return will cost you $7.80 a person, or $31.20 for a family of four. There's plenty of space for pedestrians.

Meals will run $4 to $6 per person—$16 to $24 a day, depending on the luxuriousness of your family's tastes. There are 100,000 rooms available on Cape Cod, and about 5,000 on each of the islands, and accommodations run the scale from minimum to luxury. Guest houses average $3 per person, $12 for the family; housekeeping cabins are $2 to $6 daily per person, $8 to $24 for the family. Hotels, including meals, start at $12 a day per person, $48 a day for the family. You can cut costs by renting a cabin for your six-day stay on the Cape, since distances are so short that a return home each night is feasible.

If you can schedule your trip well in advance, write to the Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce at Hyannis, Massachusetts, for information and reservations. If not, you'll find Chamber of Commerce representatives at the two great iron bridges which link the mainland with the Cape across the deep channel of the Cape Cod Ship Canal. They'll find rooms for you.

At rock bottom, practicing all economies, the trip will cost you $300. If you allow $400, you'll have a comfortable margin for an occasional shift from a housekeeping cabin to a guest house or a luxury hotel such as The Pine at Cotuit Highlands; Chatham Bars at Chatham—both on the Cape; Harborside Inn at Edgartown on Martha's Vineyard; or the White Elephant on the harbor at Nantucket. Plan your trip to drive out the north shore (bay shore) of the Cape to Provincetown, where the Pilgrims anchored before sailing on to Plymouth. Return by the south shore to Woods Hole, where you catch the ferry to the islands. Leave the Cape just before you reach Buzzards Bay, your final stop for the tenth night of your trip. It's an easy day's drive down the coast to New York or west to join U. S. 20 on its way to Albany.

If you'd rather not drive your own car to the Cape, you can take the New Haven Railroad to Boston and then rent a car at $8 a day, plus 7 cents per mile. Or you can fly to Martha's Vineyard, Nantucket, and then to Hyannis, on the Cape by Northwest Airlines from Boston or New York, renting a car at Hyannis for your six days on the Cape. From New York to Hyannis, round trip, with stopovers at both islands, will cost you $32.50 per person, plus car rental of $48 and a mileage charge of roughly $25. Greyhound busses serve the whole Cape, and in summer there are sleepers from New York to Hyannis and other major resort centers along the shore.

The first day start from Boston or its suburbs. If Boston is an old story to you, and you have come from the west over State 9, the Worcester Turnpike, swing south and follow State 128 to its junction with State 3, which you then follow inland to Plymouth. But if Boston is part of your tour, and a little extra time is no object, start out on State 3A, which meanders down through Cohasset, with fine views of the sea, and on past Duxbury where Miles Standish, John Alden, and Priscilla all lie buried in the village churchyard. You come into Plymouth along a sandy seashore—not stern and rockbound, as the poet had it. On the shore itself, under a stone canopy, is Plymouth Rock, with the waves lapping around it, and the inscription "1620" engraved on its top. Don't expect a massive boulder. The Rock is only of moderate size, and few historians are willing to guarantee that it is the authentic one.

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Plan to drive out the north shore to Provincetown and return by the south shore to Woods Hole, where you catch the ferry to the islands. Or, you can reverse the procedure—take in the islands on the first part of your trip. You'll drive no more than 400 miles in the 10 days

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Old-fashioned living-room mantel, excessively ornate, was stripped down. The chimney breast is now covered with plain sheath paneling; the mantel is a simple shelf. Bookshelves fill in the nook at the left. Original yellow-tile hearth sets the room's color scheme

By Polly Cramer

You've seen old houses like this—with a big roofed porch frowning all the way across the front. Here's one that had a face-lifting. Remodeling was wisely kept to a minimum: no partitions were removed, and no additions were made. The changes were small in themselves: a chipping away of excess gingerbread and a cosmetic covering of paint, wallpaper, and paneling to hide cracks and scars. It's the sort of remodeling you can do. Begin by listing changes you want to make, decide how to do them, and roll up your sleeves!

Photographs: Hedrich-Blessing

Pots of pink azaleas and geraniums are ranged on steps of white-railed porch. New paneled door is green; side lights were cut from a French door formerly inside the house. For consistency of period, both inside and out, small panes replace old plate-glass window

This arrangement of clock and pictures over an antique settle makes an asset of one of those odd, cutoff corners you often find in older homes. Worn linoleum on floors was pulled up; the pine flooring underneath sanded and refinished. The John Quist home, Cincinnati, Ohio

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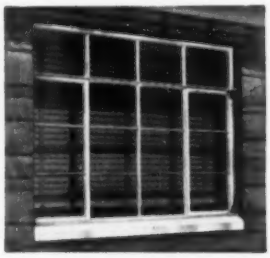

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What's wrong with

1 **"This must be my day.** Donald gets off work early; so he'll pick up the children, go home and prepare dinner," Barbara Keen tells coworker Jane Jackson. "You're lucky," Jane says, "My Bill wouldn't do a lick of housework if he were home all day."

2 **"Have to hand it to you,** Mr. Keen. For a man, you do a fine job of keeping the house going." The compliment is from Mrs. Foster who cares for the Keen children after school. Donald says, "Things would run more smoothly if I could get Mrs. Keen to stay home."

this family?

Prepared in cooperation with the Family Service Association of America

3 **"That's all the television** for you tonight. And if I hear any more arguments, you'll go without dinner." For the fourth time, Donald scolds the children, who have been arguing over the programs. Cathy and Billy are a little shocked to find their father so angry.

Photographs: Harriet Arnold

4 **"I give up.** This is a woman's job, and you can have it," Donald tells Barbara when she arrives home to find the meat burning, the children crying. Barbara says, "And I was thinking how wonderful it is to have a husband who helps with the housework."

What's wrong with this family?
See page 123 for the answer

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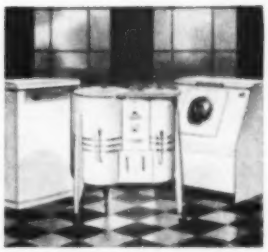
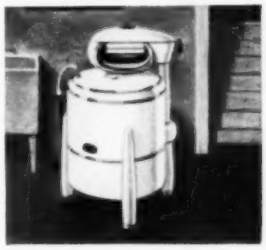
THINGS TO LOOK FOR WHEN YOU BUY A WASHING MACHINE

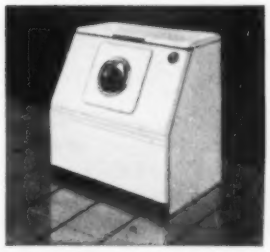
You'll save time and trouble and you'll be better satisfied, if you choose between well-known makes of washing machines, and buy from a dealer who has a reputation for fair dealings and good service. Your dealer will help you select the right machine for your requirements—wringer type, spin-dryer or automatic washer. He'll also show you where leading washing machine manufacturers are using Reynolds Aluminum . . . the mark of quality in the washing machine you buy.

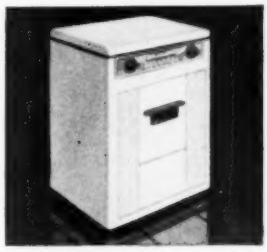




Weight makes a difference in your washing machine, especially if you have to move it when you wash. Aluminum in tubs, agitator, trim, drain plate are parts you can see. But gears, gear case, pump parts, and even electric motors on many of today's leading washing machines make them twice as light, yet just as strong as older models. Whether covered by a gleaming white finish or in its attractive natural color, aluminum parts will never rust—are easy to keep clean.

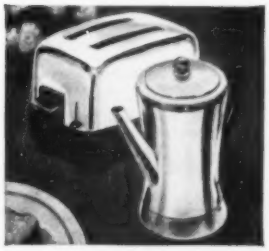
If your choice is an automatic washer, you'll find aluminum makes a difference in these machines, too. Lightweight aluminum cuts down on vibration . . . is often used in outer tubs and inner baskets as well as in doors, framework, gears, motors. Streams of hot water coursing through aluminum baskets have no harmful effect on clothes because aluminum can't rust, stain or streak. Aluminum in its natural form or covered by baked-on enamel finishes is both durable and attractive.





When you shop for a clothes dryer, again you'll want to compare recognized makes and buy from a reputable dealer. Like refrigerators, washing machines and other appliances, you'll find Reynolds Aluminum used to good advantage in many popular clothes dryers. Aluminum doors, dryer drum, framework, gear cases and trim offer strength without unnecessary weight. In its bright natural form or covered by an enamel finish, you can be sure of top quality when aluminum is used.

Shopping is easier for toasters, fans, irons and many other small appliances, too, when you look for well known makes that give you the time and work-saving benefits of Reynolds Aluminum. For instance—aluminum coffee makers are light to handle, easy to clean, won't stain or chip. Aluminum spreads heat evenly, quickly—helps you make piping hot coffee in a jiffy. Aluminum imparts no taste, holds no odors—lets you enjoy all the flavor and rich goodness of your favorite coffee.



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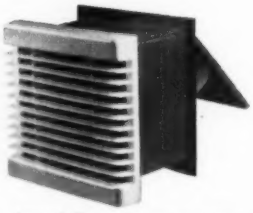

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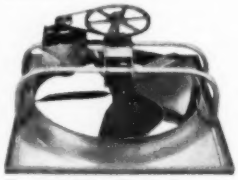

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Accessory storage. Here, power tool is set for use as drill press, with attachments close by for safety and handiness. Room was paneled first, then the handy, perforated tool racks were placed over the wood

Centanni has attempted to answer the thorniest handyman problems: Where to start, where to carry on, where to stop.

Tools certainly are not collector's items; each must be evaluated in terms of the use to which it will be put. Keep in mind that the listing which follows is intended to give an over-all view of your tool requirements. It shouldn't influence you to rush out and buy an item for a job that you know you'll never be doing. But be sure to start with an open mind. In just a few rewarding months, you could be taking on projects that now seem out of the question.

Where to begin. You should acquire these hand tools as soon as possible:

Claw hammer (13-ounce), crosscut saw (26-inch, 10-point), coping saw, keyhole saw, combination square, jack plane, ratchet brace and bits ($\frac{1}{4}$-inch to 1-inch), flexible steel

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rule, portable hand drill (push-type or power), drill set (Nos. 1 to 60), pocketknife, cold chisel, pliers.

Electric soldering iron, wood vise, set of screwdrivers (3-inch to 10-inch), nail sets (1/16-inch and 1/32-inch), hand scraper, ripping bar, set of crescent wrenches, rosebud countersink, dividers, scratch awl.

Where to carry on. These tools may be added as soon as the budget permits—they will pay their own way:

Mallet claw hammer (16-ounce), claw hammer (7-ounce), ripsaw (26-inch, 5-point), backsaw (14-inch), miter box, hack saw, rabbet plane, bullnose plane, fore plane, framing square, T-bevel.

Expansion bit, marking gauge, Phillips-head screwdriver, butt chisels (1½-inch and 2-inch), hand sanding devices, level, assortment of files (mill, draw, three-corner, flat bastard, half-round bastard, wood rasp, round rattail), trammel points, metal snips, hand ax, assorted clamps (screw, bar, and C-), swivel-base metal vise.

Maintenance tools. These will help you keep your tools in shape, and help you avoid a house-maintenance bill every so often. Buy them in order of their importance to you:

Combination oilstone, oilcan, burnishing tool, plumber's snake, hand brush, shop broom, pipe wrench, stepladder, galvanized pail, adjustable wrench, glass cutter, dustpan, oil-rag container with tight cover, plumber's force pump, putty knife, plumb bob.

Where to stop. The answer to this question depends on the type of work you do. The tools listed are general-purpose, with emphasis on woodworking. You'll need others if you do metalworking. But if you acquire these tools and learn to use them, your interests will soon dictate the need for any additions.

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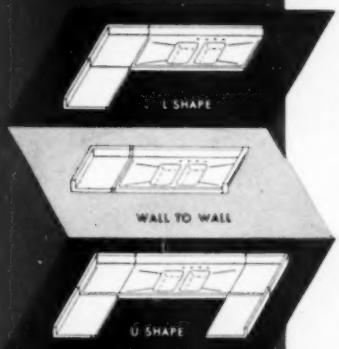

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Impossible?

AFTER →

Even a 70-year-old house with "hopeless" lines and obsolete equipment can be salvaged with start-from-scratch remodeling

It has been said many times, but it bears saying again: If it's space you're after, you could do worse than buy a sound, old house and bring it up to date.

This particular example is the Wayne (Illinois) home of Jane and Paul Schroeder. It shows that such a remodeling is neither easy nor inexpensive. But it also demonstrates that nothing, literally, is impossible.

Here was an awkward, ungainly house. Its poorly arranged rooms were small, its siding rotted, its heating and plumbing inadequate. Then, Gus Peterson and Sons, builders, went to work with Architect Ames Ross.

Several partitions were removed throughout the house, interior plaster and lath stripped off, windows repaired or replaced, and new wiring and heating ducts installed.

Downstairs, living and dining rooms were combined to form one spacious room, a fireplace added, and a lavatory built in the former pantry. Upstairs, a new bathroom was installed, two little bedrooms in front were changed into one, and closets were aligned in the hall.

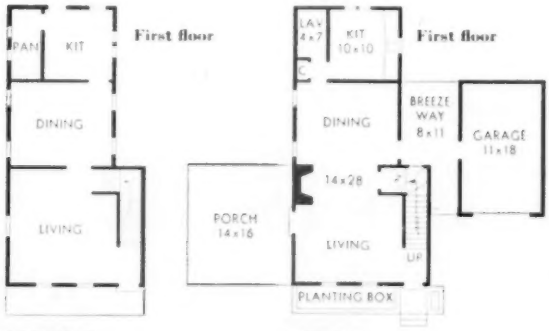
Now behind the handsome new front is a sensible reorganization of space and modernization of facilities.

Photographs: Hedrich-Blessing

Imagine what a partition just beyond the mantle would do to this room. That's the way it was before remodeling. Though there is less space for dining now, the change paid off in a lot of extra square feet of living space. You'd never guess the age of this house today

Take another look

Screened porch on one side and garage on the other tie down the tall central section. White stucco replaces old siding, the ancient front porch is gone, a masonry planting box conceals a high foundation, and the shuttered front windows are placed somewhat farther apart



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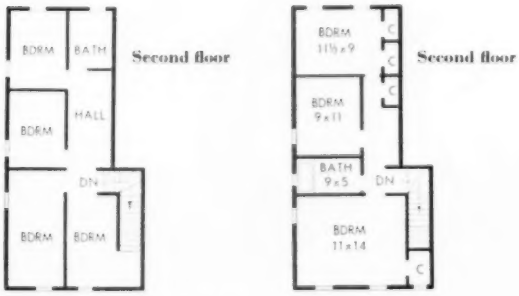

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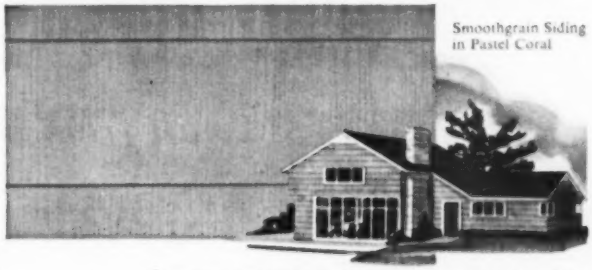

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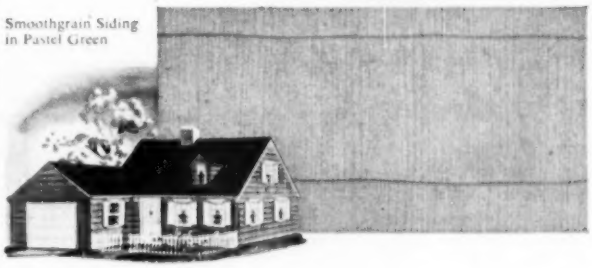

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Catchall pocket in this pert, denim-stripe version of the family apron is handy for everything from dustcloths to clothespins

Drawings: Ness

Handyman apron boasts wide hammer strap and pockets at sides to keep sharp tools from jabbing into wearer's waistline

On gardening apron, rickrack wound together accents rows of pockets planned to hold trowel, seeds, clippers, and other needs

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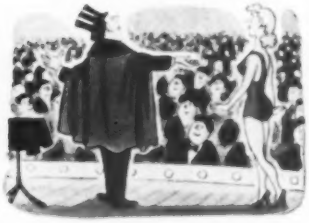
Here's how it seems in wishful dreams...



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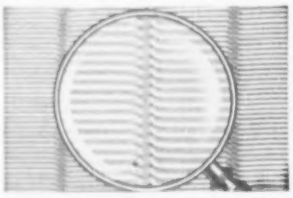

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All-in-a-line house planning

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Plenty of serious planning is behind the storage facilities in the Arney household. Here, for example, is a walk-in "closet" located just inside the front door. It's equipped with shelves and rods—holds quantities of outdoor clothing and play equipment for the three children, Richard, Jr., 16; Natalie, 11; and Jan, 8. An adjoining area takes adult wraps, as plan reveals

The exposed structural post at the home's mid-point becomes a decorative asset with red paint and a copper planter at its base (transparent tape holds vine in place). Note the storage wall that lines this north side of living room. The garage, too, has very good bulk storage space for the yard tools and outdoor furniture

More on opposite page

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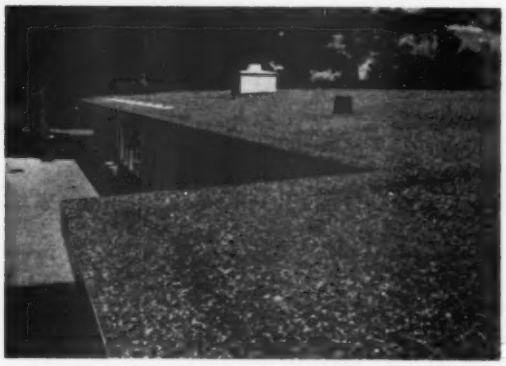
All living-room windows can be opened; there is no fixed glass. But high transoms usher in extra light and, with slope of ceiling, provide natural circulation of air for good ventilation.

Heat vents beneath the windows forestall winter drafts, stop condensation.

This handsome cedar-post fence was built by Mr. Arney. Wanting visual privacy from the street that curves around house on two sides—but not wanting to block summer breezes or create feeling of aloofness—owners settled for fence with unconnected sections



Bird's-eye view of the built-up, one-pitched roof shows the gravel surface. As you can see, roof gutters are not necessary. This is the entrance side of the house—as pictured from the roof of the projecting bedroom wing, which is the only jog in the lengthy structure

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By Russell K. Lowry

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Photographs: Harriet Arnold

Second, dramatize the situation

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Off-center. This surface looks well near an off-center door. The diagonal lines, made in wet concrete by moving a grooving tool along a straight-edge board, steer traffic to step and path off the terrace. A low, three-tiered brick wall edges raised planting spaces for spring-flowering bulbs, annuals, broadleaf evergreens. Plant a tree for shade

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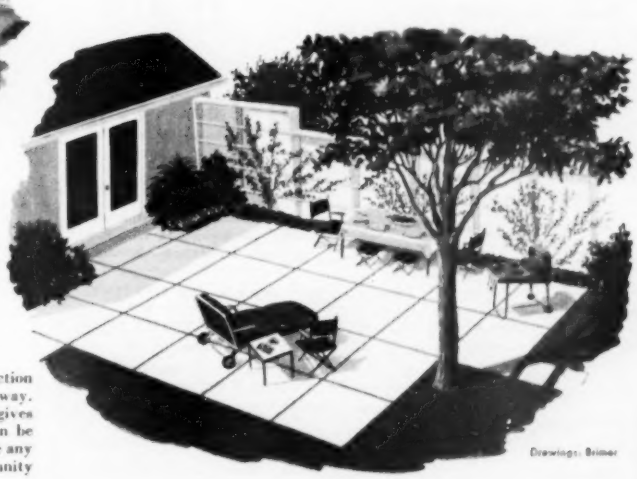
If drainage is good, lay your paving directly on a 2-inch bed of sand. If soil is wet and heavy, carry off excess moisture with a line of draintiles underneath your terrace.

More ideas on next page

Charming circle. The Dutch door here opens directly from living room onto terrace of irregular natural stones joined with mortar. The three-trunk birch clump adds shade and grace. You get privacy with ivy-covered wood-stake fence. Bulbs, followed by annuals, plus evergreens, give you year-round color. Steppingstone path serves as an exit and entrance. Do the work yourself to save costs



Squared-off. Fence of boards featuring step-down construction does an effective job of screening out a neighbor's driveway. Climbing roses take away the bare look. The big shade tree gives you a cool, squint-free place to relax. Concrete squares can be poured directly in 2x4 grids or precast, a few at a time. Or use any material that you like that's readily available in your community

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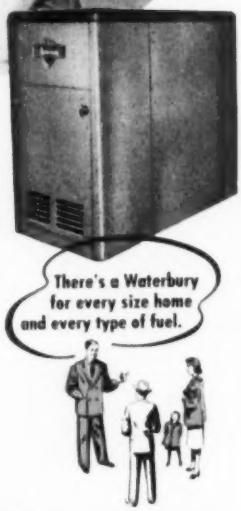

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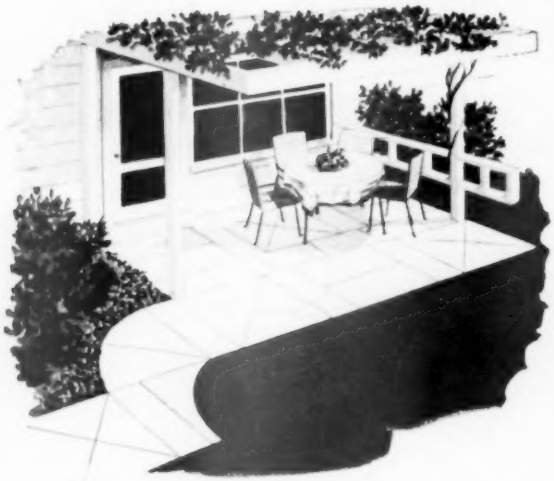
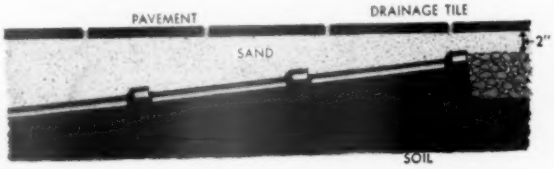


Vine-shaded. The overhead, egg-crate trellis here supports ivy that makes this surfaced spot sought after all summer. Nonshiny concrete stains makes concrete less obtrusive, extend the outdoor season by absorbing the sun's heat. Make geometric patterns in poured concrete with a grooving tool, or precast blocks in forms in the shapes you want

No mowing. Herbs and vegetables, as well as flowers, surround this easy-to-care-for space paved with rectangular cinder or lightweight aggregate building blocks. Soil pockets at corners give thyme and other plants a place in the sun. For sunny spots with no close-by trees for shade, lounge chairs with built-in awnings are adaptable



Draintile: side view

Paving cross section

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What's wrong with this family?

See problem, page 106

What's right

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What's wrong

The Keens' plans hit a snag because they didn't think them through carefully in advance or couldn't foresee how they would turn out. Barbara and Donald made the mistake of hiding their true feelings during the planning stage. Donald apparently has never been satisfied with his wife working. When both parents work, the arrangement of duties can succeed only if there is understanding and acceptance from the start of the new pressures placed on all family members.

When Donald says, "This is a woman's job," he is reacting strongly to the old concept that a man is a "softie" if he helps with the housework. It's not uncommon for men to help out with home duties as naturally as women hold down office jobs. The essential point is for husband and wife to agree on whatever plan is suited to their family needs.

If Donald chafes at lending a hand at home, the Keens need to reconsider whether Barbara's extra income is worth the family strain. If Barbara's earnings are really needed to help buy clothes, set the table, and so on, then she can't be expected to assume full care of the house. The Keens should sit down and decide which of the household tasks each will assume.

The children's shock at their father's anger indicates an unhealthy atmosphere of tension. As often happens, Cathy and Billy are bearing the brunt of their parents' failure to develop a workable plan.

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CENTRAL-EAST

Leave as many leaves on plant as possible when you cut roses for indoor arrangements.

Remake lily-of-the-valley beds. Divide clumps; reset strongest plants 4 inches apart.

Don't feed roses after the first week in August.

Transplant nonblooming peonies.

Soak mums and dahlias at least once a week as they bud and bloom.

Plant Madonna lilies, autumn crocus, and colchicums.

Stake your hardy asters to keep them upright.

Divide and transplant iris and Oriental poppies.

Bring poinsettias indoors before nights get chilly.

Root cuttings of bloodleaf, coleus, and geraniums for indoor plants this winter.

Keep bird-watering containers filled with water.

SOUTH-SOUTHEAST

Prolong bloom of crapemyrtle and vitex—nourish with water and plant food, cut off faded flowers.

Ward off thrips—spray your glads with lindane or 5 percent DDT every 7 to 10 days.

Sprinkle portulaca seed in bare, sunny spots for quick groundcover.

Burn any diseased or stunted glads and lilies.

Plant marigolds, nasturtiums, phlox, cosmos, sweet alyssum, cornflowers, and early-flowering sweetpeas in Lower South.

Cover soil around dahlias with a 6-inch mulch.

Withhold water from calla lilies.

Water newly planted shrubs and trees deeply at least once a week.

Adjust your lawn mower so it cuts your grass from 1½ to 2 inches high.

TEXAS-SOUTHWEST

Record good flower combinations and times of bloom for next year's planting plan.

Plant peonies—early-blooming and single-flowered types. Be sure buds aren't more than an inch below surface.

Cut back zinnias, sweet alyssum, and other annuals at least halfway for a second crop of good blooms.

Start Texas bluebells, Texas scarlet plume, stocks, wallflowers, pansies from seed in a coldframe. Sprinkle daily; set out plants before frost.

Pinch off tips of mums for last time by August 5.

Inspect supports of dahlias, asters, mums, and your other tall-growing flowers.

Plant Madonna lilies during last half of month.

Cut 4-inch shoots from plumbago, Shrimp plant, and begonias in your garden to start house plants. Root in vermiculite or moist sand.

Plant new iris—or divide and replant the clumps

time to...

Plant Madonna-lily bulbs in a sunny, well-drained spot with good air circulation.

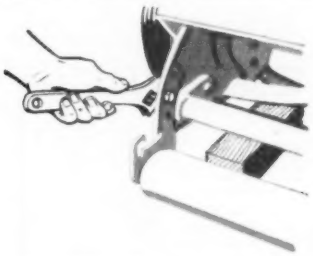
Add plenty of humus to the soil, and set out only healthy bulbs—those free of bruised scales, brown bases.

Barely cover bulb with soil. Plant food should be out a few inches so it doesn't touch bulbs. Keep the soil moist.

Make last planting of quick-maturing lettuce, radishes, kale, and spinach.

Protect broadleaf evergreens against lacewing flies with rotenone or nicotine spray.

Give potted plants a good watering before you leave on a long weekend or vacation away from home.



Have you checked your mower lately to be sure it's cutting grass $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 inches high?

To adjust, loosen bolts holding roller assembly. Move roller up or down until shear bar is at the right height. Tighten side bolts.

It's easier to adjust bolts if you set shear bar on block of wood so weight is off roller.

Plant collards, mustard, chard, broccoli, turnips, beets, and carrots in Lower and Middle South.

Start squash, cucumbers, pole beans, and English peas along Gulf Coast.

Continue to spray or dust roses with a multipurpose insecticide-fungicide to control insects and disease.

Hose dust off to invigorate your evergreens, both needled and broadleaf kinds.

You can plant evergreens in Southwest this month. Newly planted ones need regular watering and hosing off every few days during hot weather. Water in morning so foliage dries before night.

Water spray also helps control redspider-mites.

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you already have—after the first good soaking rain.

Feed budded mums plant food in solution weekly.

Order scillas, crocus, chinondoxa, snowdrop, erythronium, other miniature early bulbs for fall planting.

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Water flower borders regularly.

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Plant autumn crocuses when bulbs are available.

Spray hollies with $2\frac{1}{2}$ percent summer oil spray when temperature is below 80 degrees.

Cut off old fruiting canes of loganberries, boysenberries, and raspberries at the ground.

Feed tomatoes, cucumbers, and vine crops.

Sow seed of Canterburybells and sweetwilliams about August 5; pansy seed about August 20.

Sprinkle earwig bait in your garden, near buildings.

Divide and replant pyrethrum clumps late in month.

Start broadleaf evergreens and heathers from cuttings of this season's growth. Root in washed sand.

Take cuttings of heliotrope, begonias, and poinsettias, to pot up as house plants in September.

Pick off and burn gall-fested leaves on azaleas. Spray with ferbam if blight appears on blooms.

Cuttings are a good way to multiply your favorite flowers—roses, azaleas, camellias, dwarf deutzias, dwarf spirea.

Dip cut ends in a hormone rooting powder to stimulate root-forming cells.

Root in expanded mica or sharp, washed sand. Keep cuttings shaded from direct sun to avoid burning.

CALIFORNIA

Sow cineraria, calendula, larkspur, nemesia, snapdragon, and Drummond phlox in flats for early winter.

Withhold water from lilacs so they go dormant.

Cut perennials back after they bloom, then feed and water for second bloom this fall.

Have your trees sprayed for oak moth.

Sow sweetpeas.

Cut back carnations at least halfway for fall bloom.

Divide and reset polyantha primrose, trollius, and other early-spring flowers.

Keep a mulch around shallow-rooted plants—azaleas, camellias, and rhododendrons. Water regularly.

August is the month to concentrate on grooming rather than planting in your garden.

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which overlooks the street, you are 4 steps from the service entrance, 10 steps from the front door, 10 from the dining table, a quick turn from the kitchen eating space, and only 6 steps from your laundry equipment.

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- And, you'll find that a little planning and planting next month will make your yard the envy of the neighborhood next spring. It's amazing how a few plain, brown bulbs, planted in the fall, will make your yard prettier.
- If you like both Modern and Traditional designs, we have a house next month that should please you. It's a two-story of Modern design that can be decorated with either type of furniture.

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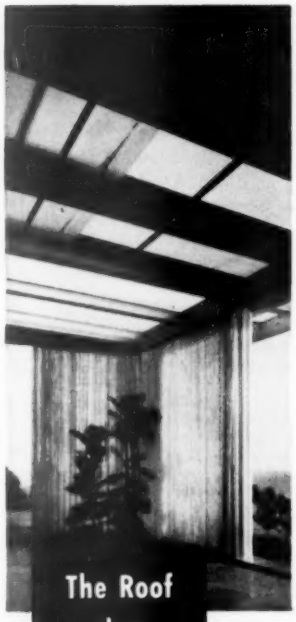

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Help for apple growers

Fire blight, the scourge of home apple growers, may have met its match in the antibiotics. At Missouri Experiment Station, low-strength applications of streptomycin and thiolutin caused a marked reduction in infection.

Fire blight, a disease that blackens young growth on apple trees, has been impossible to control with any chemical spray or by cutting away infected parts.

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New era for sweet-corn lovers in south

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Copper naphthenate is particularly useful since flats or coldframes treated with it can be used for plants almost immediately after treatment. Treatment adds years to life of wood in contact with soil and moisture. Wooden garden labels and stakes treated with this material last for two to three years.

Go slow in ripening fruits with chemical

Reports of the use of 2,4,5-T in ripening peaches, plums, and apricots, and in increasing the size of these fruits, have led many gardeners to expect similar results on their trees.

But be cautious if you try commercial weed-killer mixtures containing 2,4,5-T on any trees. If you use too-strong concentrations, this chemical can easily kill them. Amounts used by scientists were approximately 250 parts per million of the straight acid. While maturity of fruits was speeded up, so was their deterioration. Distorted fruits were common.

Until a commercial product has been perfected, this interesting but incomplete experiment should be left for further development.

Chemicals make pear trees bear regularly

On the subject of fruits, pear scab has been prevented by spraying trees with solutions of either ferbam or zerlate.

This disfiguring disease is responsible for the alternate bearing habit of some pears. Anjou, a variety which seldom bears well during two successive years, has produced high-quality annual crops following treatment with these organic fungicides.

The reason often given for the alternate-bearing habit of some pears is that scab injures foliage so much that it takes two years for the tree to store up enough food to produce a good crop of pears. Healthy foliage means regular crops.

Hot-weather item

A series of thermocouples by which I recorded soil temperatures last winter gave me some interesting slants on what happens to roots in freezing weather.

On bare ground, during an early severe freeze without snow, temperatures at 6 and 12 feet below ground skidded to 32 degrees within a week, and stayed there until a thaw sent air temperatures above freezing.

Later, under a heavy snow, temperatures at these levels did not fall below 34 degrees, even when subzero readings were reached above ground. The snow fell after the ground had frozen to a depth of 2 feet.

A thermocouple buried under shrubs did not reach its low points for several days after those in open ground. The shrubs apparently gave off enough heat to influence temperature of the soil around them.

This same effect was noticeable when the weather warmed up. Snow disappeared rapidly from the area around the shrub stems. The bare ground was exposed at least four days before it came into view on the open areas.

This means that root growth of woody plants continues much longer than air temperatures indicate. Late planting of most shrubs and trees should result in good growth in spite of freezing weather.

This latter doesn't hold true with roses, however. Roses under freezing conditions form few new roots when planted in fall under Midwest conditions.

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Bedtime comes easy

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there that they play with toys, exercise on cradle gyms, nibble bread crusts or bananas, and explore the possibilities of walking.

That's why, when things are cleared away and the youngster is tucked in for the night, he's mixed up. What is he expected to do—exercise, play, walk, or eat? Sleep is often furthest from his mind, because his bed has become associated with too many other possible activities, all of them stimulating. When he finally realizes he's supposed to go to sleep, naturally he protests.

Except for the first few months of early infancy, we put Donald in his crib only when we wanted him to sleep. I fed him in my arms or on the top of the bathinette, later in a high chair or at the table. Dry toast and other between-meal snacks were reserved for the carriage, where he could also play with toys. He had fun in his playpen, too, or on a blanket spread out on the floor or on the grass. He had ample opportunity to satisfy all his needs for exploration, manipulation, and play—yet at no time, except during illnesses, was there a toy of any kind in his bed.

When we put him to bed, he would quickly arrange himself in his favorite position and give himself up willingly to sleep. Since he had no reason to expect anything else, he had learned to associate his bed only with feelings of relaxation and sleepiness.

4. *Make bedtime a pleasant experience.* If your youngster's bed and night clothes are kept clean and reasonably dry, he will be outwardly comfortable. But his inner feelings need equal consideration.

Try to handle your little one quietly and gently at bedtime, making a real effort to keep tension and hurry out of your voice and movements. A fine way is to sing songs with a slow tempo and move to their rhythm in your bedtime preparations.

This hour should be relaxed and happy—not hilarious, just cheerful, intimate, and warm. Then your child will let you go far more freely than if you are briskly efficient (making him feel like an impersonal object being disposed of for the night).

A "do-or-die" stand on crying at bedtime is also needless. Junior's attitude toward sleep will be better if he can count on you for an occasional pat on the back or a few reassuring words. After a time this need will disappear, and he will go off to sleep almost automatically.

Nor should sleep be a weapon. Our neighbor's 5-year-old is such a poor sleeper that her parents have reluctantly decided not to have another child. "My husband works so hard," the mother told me, "that if he had any less sleep than we've been getting, he would just collapse. We simply can't face the possibility of starting all over again what we have been through with Nancy."

I don't know the original cause of Nancy's sleeplessness, but one thing I have observed. Her mother repeatedly threatens to put her to bed, as a form of discipline. To Nancy, therefore, sleep means punishment—something to be avoided at all cost. And this she accomplishes very successfully.

5. *Be consistent* until good sleeping habits are firmly established.

"Gosh, I've tried just *everything*, but nothing seems to work with my child." This is a common parental complaint. Frequently, however, it's precisely because we have done so many things—instead of steadily following one sound plan—that nothing works.

I don't mean that you must set a rigid, inflexible schedule with split-second timing. Roughly, though, the routines of eating, bathing, airing, and sleeping should follow the same procedure daily. Exceptions make it harder to establish a practice, and had better be left until after your youngster has acquired a sound sleep pattern.

To form a habit, it is necessary to do the same thing in the same way each day. By the time your boy or girl discovers there are other ways, it will no longer matter—he will prefer his own custom, anyway.

Donald's bath, for instance, has been part of his bedtime routine for as long as he can remember. It was more convenient for me to bathe him late in the day, and more sensible to do so when he started to crawl and walk. Donald enjoys his bath, so it's in the nature of a final playtime for him. And the warm water seems to soothe and relax him, and make him ready for sleep.

Betty, 3, has always slept in a darkened room. Suppose, at 4, she were to demand a night light. Would this set an unwise precedent that might destroy all that has gone before? Of course not. Because fears take on importance at this age, it may comfort Betty to have a light on for a time. But since she has been in the habit of sleeping in the dark, chances are that in a few days Betty would ask that the light be turned off.

6. *Read your child a bedtime story* as soon as he is old enough to listen. Although some feel that this wastes time and prolongs the process of going to bed, my own experience has been that it speeds things up no end. At our house, instead of saying, "It's time for bed" and inviting resistance, we say, "It's bedtime-story time" and get cooperation. In no time, Donald goes through the process of bathing, putting on his pajamas, brushing his teeth, and hops into bed all ready to listen.

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standing that comes from sharing loved books that makes this interlude something special. We have progressed from *Peter Rabbit* through *Alice in Wonderland*. (And I defy anyone to prepare for bed faster than a child waiting to know whether the Queen will cut off Alice's head in the next chapter.)

"Oh, but that takes such patience!" say some of my friends. Much less, I believe, than the devious and dogged efforts I have seen them make trying to lure their offspring to bed. And small amount of time spent making bedtime pleasant is far more rewarding, too!

When Don was little, I used to sit on a park bench and read as he slept, while other mothers exhausted themselves bouncing or wheeling a carriage about. I managed to take a nap every afternoon for almost five years—a welcome midday break, which refreshed me for additional long hours of work. It has been possible for my husband and me to have dinner at a timely hour, and to keep early engagements. Our evenings are long and leisurely, and we can enjoy each other's company.

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which dates from pre-Revolutionary days. Visit the Howland House (1667); the Pilgrim Hall, a museum; the Richard Sparrow House (1640); the Forefathers' Monument, surmounted by a huge granite figure; and the Brewster Gardens. Swim, play golf, or shop. Spend the night either at the Plymouth Rock Hotel ($10 for two double rooms) or on State 3 at the Yankee Trav'ler, a new and comfortable motel ($3 per person). Mileage for the day: 43 miles, plus side trips.

On your second day, continue south on State 3 to the massive steel bridge across the Cape Cod Canal at Sagamore. Another such bridge, for travelers coming up the coast, is six miles south, at Bourne. The Canal, which cuts off 70 sea miles from Boston to New York, divides Cape Cod from the mainland. Cross by bridge, and you are on the peninsula. Turn left almost immediately on State 6A to Sandwich, the Cape's oldest town and the birthplace of Sandwich glass.

Real Sandwich glass is hard to find, and very expensive, but in the Sandwich Museum you can see shelves of it—400 kinds of lamps, 300 kinds of salt cellars, and as many kinds of candlesticks. Stop at the Old Mill, now a shop, but once the first gristmill.

Buy some picnic makin's in Sandwich, and lunch at the Shawme State Reservation, with a lake, dozens of outdoor fireplaces, and picnic tables. On the way to Shawme, if you want to fascinate the children, visit the State Fish Hatchery, where millions of trout are reared. On your left, once you rejoin State 6A, are the Barnstable dunes.

Under Barnstable's arching trees, you'll find the old courthouse and two cannons dating from the War of 1812. In West Barnstable—the two towns pretty well run together—is the lovely old Congregational Meeting House, oldest church on the Cape, with its original beams and deep-toned bell. Stop at the Coach House, a tavern dating to 1640, but now an antique shop, and (if you haven't lunched) at the Bacon Farm Club. For your first real view of the Cape, turn off on State 132 and follow signs to Shoot Flying Hill. You'll have to walk the last part of the way, on a sandy path, but it's worth it. On a clear day you can see from Minot's Light, off Boston, to the Pilgrim Monument in Provincetown. Below you lies the whole Cape, curving out to sea, with its green cranberry bogs, its ponds, and its lakes. The name "Shoot Flying" is a strange one, but practical. Hunters used to shoot flying ducks from its slopes. There are guest houses all through this area, where you will spend the night. Mileage for the day: 35, plus about 10 to 20 miles for side trips.

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In Brewster, next door on your way out the Cape, are the two weathered gray Dillingham houses (private) and Captain Elijah Cobb's house, with its "widow's walk." Then comes Orleans, where you should turn left down the Rock Harbor road for Cape Cod homes at their best. Drive around the cove to East Orleans, passing at Weeset a house decorated with whalebone. Visit Nauset Heights and Tonset, and at South Orleans (right 3 miles, State 28) one of the most beautiful churches on the Cape—the little Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit, where the altar rail was once a country fence and the kneeling cushions are stuffed with fragrant salt hay. In Orleans proper, visit the Crossroads Herbary, where New England herbs are on sale.

In Eastham, the next town out the Cape, is the oldest windmill on the Cape (1793), which during the summer grinds and sells corn meal each Saturday as thousands of tourists watch. It is just off U. S. 6 on the left. To get a fine view of the seacoast, drive three miles down to Nauset Light, where Thoreau began a 30-mile walk along the shore to Provincetown.

In Wellfleet, just beyond, the Cape begins to narrow down to less than three miles. Turn right down Gull Pond Road, one of the most beautiful side trips on the Cape, with the sea just beyond.

Then you come to Truro, home of artists and writers. On the Hill of the Churches, you'll find the town hall and a meetinghouse with an old cemetery. At Pond Village (signs) you can buy bayberry candles from the factory. These sweet-smelling tapers are peculiar to the Cape.

Finally you come to Provincetown—artists' town—at the tip of the Cape. Its towering Pilgrim Memorial is a good deal more impressive than Plymouth's. Portuguese fishermen crowd the wharves; beach buggies will take you along the dunes ($5 for half a day).

Provincetown in summer is crowded, no mistake about it. But it is also picturesque, and you may want to spend two nights there instead of one, forgoing the next day's stop at Chatham. On the shore, next to the Provincetown Inn, a brick gate and a small plaque mark the Pilgrims' landing place. Look back across the Cape from Pilgrim Monument, a stiff climb but a worthwhile one. On the street nearest the sea are dozens of old houses, on one of which there is the figurehead of a woman. Inside the Episcopal Church are decora-

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The Wight murals caused so much comment, pro and con, that Mrs. Wight finally moved them to a barn behind her house on Stage Harbor Road (inquire locally for directions). Stage Harbor Road is part of the Loop, a harborside road that leads to Harding's Beach Light (private property). Visit the Atwood House on Cedar Street (50 cents); the Seth Nickerson House on Barcliff Road; and the Chatham Light, from which, after dusk, you can see the flashing beams of 14 other lighthouses along the coast. Chatham is the home of the scallop; lunch on them in any restaurant. Spend the night in a guest house, or, if you have made advance reservations, at the Chatham Bars Hotel, one of the most fashionable on the Cape. Mileage for the day: 38.

Your fifth day brings you onto the true south shore of the Cape, where the water averages 70 to 72 degrees in temperature and the beaches stretch for miles. Harwich is the first stop, next door to Chatham. Take time to turn right up State 137 to the lily ponds. Visit the Harwich mill, the harbor, the Brooks Library with its Civil War statuettes; the Obed Brooks Homestead (1800); and the cranberry bogs lying inland, off State 24.

Back on State 28, picnic at Wing's Grove, the town park in South Yarmouth, and then continue to Hyannis, the metropolis of the Cape. The Hyannis Inn is an excellent place to lunch. In Hyannis you'll find the Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce, which can answer your questions and load you down with literature. From this village, you can fly to the islands, if you wish, or go out by the Hyannis-Nantucket boat ($5.50 round trip). In the library, a tiny gray house with green blinds, one of the upstairs rooms is the former bedroom of an old clipper captain, filled with sea chests and ancient charts. The golf course at St. Andrews-by-the-Sea is one of the most beautiful on the Cape. Follow the shore road through Oster-

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Your sixth day, which calls for an early start, sees you down through Falmouth, to Woods Hole, beginning of the ferry trip to the islands. Stop at the Fay Rose Garden; visit the buoy-yard of the U. S. Lighthouse Service, and the Aquarium of the Bureau of Fisheries, where good-sized sharks are often found in the pool at the front door. Take the 11-o'clock ferry to Vineyard Haven, on Martha's Vineyard.

The Vineyard, with its hundreds of miles of sand beaches, is a pleasant blend of rustic quiet and pounding surf. You can rent a car at Vineyard Haven, or make that village your headquarters, going out by bicycle or sight-seeing bus. On the south shore, at Gay Head, multicolored cliffs a hundred feet high tower over the beaches, and the anchorage of Menemsha Bight is bright with the sails of visiting yachts. Come back through Chilmark, to Edgartown. Stop for the night at the Harborside Inn ($11.25 per person, meals included).

Your seventh day would be good for a beach-buggy trip to the south shore, where you can cook your own lobster dinner, do a little beachcombing (odd things always are being washed up on the beach from passing ships), and visit the Methodist Encampment grounds at Oak Bluffs. Stay overnight in Vineyard Haven at the Mansion House ($3 per person, European plan) or at Menemsha Inn.

The morning of your eighth day, take the noon ferry from Oak Bluffs to Nantucket. The moment you step ashore in Nantucket, you'll notice the difference between the two islands. Nantucket Island is open moorland, with the sea always visible; Nantucket Village, with its cobblestoned main street and white-spired Meeting House, is quite different architecturally. Its houses are clapboarded, weathered a soft gray by the sea. Its streets are narrower, and the whole island is a little less crowded. Most Nantucket visitors come for a long stay, which means that you should make hotel reservations there in advance of your trip. Write the Nantucket Chamber of Commerce, Nantucket, Massachusetts. You can ride around the old town in a horse and carriage, or travel by bike to some beach resort such as Siasconset, with its tiny houses and rambler roses. You'll see dozens of bicycles. In Nantucket your first day, visit the Whalers' Museum (30 cents) with its fine collection of old whaling logs; the Old Mill; the Quaker Meeting House, filled with me-

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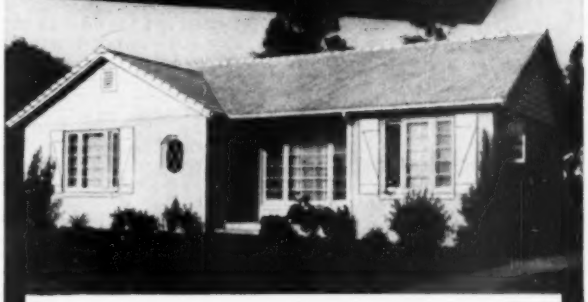

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Visitors refer to Nantucket as the "Little Gray Lady," and the soft grays and blurred blues of its houses and moors confirm the impression. On the main street the cobblestones make bumpy walking, but remind you of pre-Revolutionary times. Pick up (free) a copy of the "Guide to Good Eating," which lists 36 eating places and tells you what they charge for meals. Stay overnight at a guest house, or at the White Elephant.

On your ninth day, plan to bicycle around the island. Take a lunch and ride out to the moors near 'Sconset, where your nearest neighbor will be half a mile away. Perhaps you can arrange for a shore dinner—clams, lobsters, succulent corn, cooked over a blazing fire for a nominal fee. Go beachcombing, clamming, or just relax in the sun. Spend the night either at 'Sconset or at Nantucket.

On your tenth day, spend the morning swimming or sailing; at 3 p.m. take the steamer to Woods Hole, where your car is parked. You get there at 5:30—time for dinner. Then go on through the Falmouths to Bourne for a look at the old Aptuxcet Trading Post, a reproduction of a Dutch trading post that stood on the site three centuries ago. At Bourne, you cross the bridge to Buzzards Bay, leaving the Cape and finishing your trip with a mileage of 20 miles.

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Your pet and mine

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Can I keep my dog outdoors in winter?—Mrs. L. S., Connecticut.

Yes, provided the dog has a snug house, with about a foot of dry straw covering the floor. But, you must start his outdoor living in September, to allow the dog time to thicken up blood and coat to meet those wintry blasts. And he should work at this outdoor living 24 hours a day.

Is it good for a parakeet to stay up late? Ours is great fun, enjoys staying up and talking with us till midnight.—Mrs. R. C. M., Michigan.

A bird's natural day starts at dawn, ends at dusk. To violate these hours makes a bird nervous, irritable, often brings on rejection of food and various ailments.

How can I teach my dog to stay out of strange cars? He loves to ride, and I'm afraid he'll be stolen.—Mr. F. C. C., Illinois.

To cure the weakness, get the help of friends, one by one. Have them drive by, stop, open their car doors, and invite the dog in. Just as your pet starts to jump in, these friends are to squirt a water pistol in the dog's face and shout "Beat it, y' bum!" or words to that effect. Four or five lessons should convince your pet thumbing rides is bad business.

I want a canary, but am anxious to get a good singer. How can I be sure?—Miss J. C. C., Minnesota.

Not all breeds sing. The special song varieties have been bred for singing prowess only, come in three types called rollers, warblers, and choppers. The rollers have a soft note; the warblers have varied sweet notes; the choppers have loud chops in their song. Try to visit the pet shop on a bright, sunny morning, as this is most conducive to song and will help you spot a good singer.

My little dog scoots along on her rear, though she seems healthy in every way. She has done this for years.—Mrs. R. S., Oklahoma.

Most common cause of the symptom is tapeworm. Next is anal gland trouble. In either case, have a veterinarian examine her.

Are skunks difficult to feed? We'd like to get a deodorized pair, if they don't cost too much.—Mrs. H. K. R., Ohio.

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The diary of a

Plain dirt gardener

By Harry R. O'Brien

Been taking color pictures of my newer annuals, and am enthusiastic about a new cockscomb that's worth its weight in gold for flower arrangements

Aug. 3 Home tonight from a business trip. Maggie had gone along for the buggy ride. I settled down in my easy chair to look over mail and talk with Donald.

David, we found, had lit out on a trip of his own. Maggie went on a prowl around the house. Now and then we heard her exclaim at this or that.

"What is this powder under the Oriental rug?" she called from the front hall.

"That's ant-killer powder," replied Donald. It seems that ants have invaded said front hall.

Aug. 4 Out to view the ornamental and vegetable portions of our domain and note progress.

The roses are in good shape. David has been keeping them sprayed—all summer in fact—and he has just cultivated them. There is no weed trouble here. The bushes look thrifty and have a lot of bloom.

Annuals, except for the petunias, are in good bloom. There is a row of Persian Carpet zinnias, now covered with little double-ish blooms the size of a half dollar.

The petunia news, I regret to say, is bad. We have just let the weeds get ahead here. The glads aren't doing as well as usual, and there's some thrip damage.

Out in the vegetable patch, the sweet corn is ready to eat. Ripe tomatoes come on apace. Peppers are peppering. Cauliflower is ready to eat. There is plenty of broccoli. There are plenty of weeds, except in the potatoes.

Aug. 5 Was awakened late this chilly Sunday morning by the peculiar chirping of some bird I didn't recognize. Looked out the window and there was a young quail exploring our rear lawn—but it wasn't doing that chirping.

Later, as I was noting the summer bloom in my garden notebook, this summer's new generation of cardinals was flitting around.

Of my new roses, only one is in good bloom right now. This is a lovely light shade of pink, large flowers, on a vigorous bush. The leaves have a sorta blue cast.

Aug. 6 Out with pruning shears, cutting off faded blooms on the roses—a necessary chore if new fall bloom is to develop.

Aug. 7 Went exploring in the weeds where in the spring I had planted the early vegetable bed behind the garage.

A bit of scratching around, and sure enough, I found the early potatoes—vines all dead by now. I got a spading fork and a half-bushel basket and began to dig.

Up came the potatoes. By the time I had worked over those three little rows—mebbe 30 hills in all—I had that basket heaping full. Not bad potatoes, either.

Another plunge into those weeds. Bless my soul—carrots. Pretty good crop of them. Dug a mess to take to the kitchen. Beside carrots, I found a row of pretty good beets.

Supper, incidentally, had squash on the menu—loot from back amid the sweet corn.

Along came David, home from his classes. He rolled out our little power sprayer. Mixed up ferbam, DDT, and a "spreader" solution.

He sprayed rapidly while I walked on the path and pushed the sprayer. He wasn't doing it right. I began to tell him how.

"This is the way I've been doing it all summer," he said. "Look at the roses."

I had to admit he was right. In all our roses I could find black spot on just one plant. Never have the roses been so free of disease.

Aug. 9 It is hot and dry. No man can remember when we really had a good, soaking rain.

Aug. 11 Needed the big wheelbarrow today. Found it in the tool shed, piled high. I started to excavate what was in it—and buzz, buzz, buzz—angry bumblebees were flying around my ears.

I ran. A cautious reapproach, and I found there's a big nest under some burlap on the shelf back of the barrow.

So I began a "grab and run" process. Grab something from the barrow. Run out. Back again. The last sortie brought out the barrow and a sack of plant food.

Aug. 14 I'm never caught up on my maintenance pruning. Now is a good time to get at the job. So tonight got out my biggest pair of pruning shears, the big lopping shears, and to the front lawn.

I started in on one of the smaller trees. Whacked off some suckers around the base. Began to reach up for some dead twigs I spied. Had to go get the ladder and put it up beside the tree for this.

Aug. 15 Got a big trowel out of the tool shed and started in to find two rows of onion sets I had planted early, back of garage.

Bless my soul, I wish you could see what fine onions I've grown. Big, round, and plump. I filled the basket. I hunted up a flat and soon this was full. I filled another flat. Got a half bushel mebbe from those two little rows.

Aug. 16 To front lawn and took up again my maintenance pruning. Whacked off dead twigs from little oak tree. Lopped off limbs of soft maples that are in the way of the milkman.

Aug. 17 Showed up in back hall, home early from the office. Told Maggie to get her bonnet on quick. We were going for a buggy ride.

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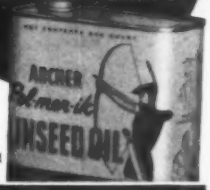

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As we drove around, I was sorta shocked to see how dry and parched everything is.

I began to dig, and up came the potatoes. When I had finished, I had a basket heaping full of good ones

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Aug. 19 Been taking color pictures of my newer annuals, and am most enthusiastic about the new cockscomb called Pampas Plume. It is worth its weight in gold for flower arrangements, with its soft plumes and rich colors.

I climbed a ladder, this evening, to lop off some dead twigs I spied high on a tree out in front of the house

Aug. 21 I've needed my hedge shears several times lately.

I found 'em—right on the shelf where they belonged. But it is also right at the spot where the bumblebees have their nest, under that burlap sack. I drew a long breath. Grabbed out the shears and ran. No casualties. Nary a scratch even.

Aug. 29 Donald was home early.

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ter and shortening; add sugar and salt gradually and cream thoroughly. Blend eggs into yeast mixture; then blend into creamed mixture. Add half the flour and the milk, cooled to lukewarm; beat well. Beat in remaining flour. Continue beating until dough becomes smooth. Place in well-greased bowl; cover with damp cloth. Let rise till double (about 1½ hours). Round up dough on lightly floured surface; cover with damp cloth and let stand 15 minutes. Divide dough in two equal parts. Roll out each half of dough ¼ inch thick into a large circle (about 16 inches across). Cut each circle into fourths, then cut each quarter into four narrow pie-shaped wedges. Beginning at the wide end of the triangle, roll up each piece. (If you hold one end in each hand, you can flip the long end around so it winds quickly.) Be sure the roll is tight. Then pull each roll out longer by pulling the two ends, and bringing them around to form a crescent. Place rolls about an inch apart on lightly greased cooky sheet. Cover with a clean towel. Let rise until light, but not quite double in bulk (about ½ hour). Bake in hot oven (400°) 10 to 12 minutes. When rolls are done, brush tops with soft butter. Makes 32 rolls.

Popped Wild Rice

If you're looking for something entirely different to keep folks happy after dinner, this is it. Serve these crunchies with cool fruit or tomato juice—

Put small amount unwashed wild rice (top quality, new crop) into fine sieve. Place in deep, hot fat (400°) until rice is popped. Drain on paper toweling. Sprinkle with salt. Serve in bowl.

Blueberry Pie

Here's a juicy one. It's polite to slick up every delicious drop with a spoon!—

1 quart fresh blueberries
1¾ cups sugar
4 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted
1 recipe Plain Pastry

Wash and drain berries; combine with remaining ingredients. Place in 9-inch pastry-lined pie-pan. Adjust top crust. Bake in hot oven (425°) 35 to 40 minutes. Garnish with sugared, fresh berries. Note: Pie should be runny.

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½ cup shortening
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1 teaspoon salt
1 cup plus 2 tablespoons milk
½ teaspoon lemon extract

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1½ 1-ounce squares unsweetened chocolate
1 tablespoon milk

Thoroughly cream shortening and sugar; add eggs; beat until fluffy. Add sifted dry ingredients alternately with 1 cup plus 2 tablespoons milk. Pour half of batter into another bowl. Add the lemon extract to one half of batter. Mix slightly cooled, melted chocolate and the 1 tablespoon milk; blend into other half of batter. Pour

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5 egg whites*	3 teaspoons baking powder
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1 teaspoon vanilla	⅛ teaspoon peppermint extract
2⅔ cups cake flour	Few drops red food coloring

Beat egg whites until foamy. Add ½ cup sugar gradually, beating only until meringue holds up in soft peaks. Thoroughly cream shortening, 1¼ cups sugar, and vanilla. To creamed mixture, add sifted dry ingredients alternately with milk. Add meringue; stir until blended. Flavor half of batter with peppermint extract; tint with red food coloring to make a delicate pink. Pour each batter into a paper-lined 9x1½-inch round pan. Bake in moderately hot oven (375°) 30 minutes or until done. When all layers are cool, frost between layers and on top and sides with Ribbon Cake Frosting. Place chocolate layer on bottom, then add lemon-flavored, pink, and silver layers. Makes 20 servings.

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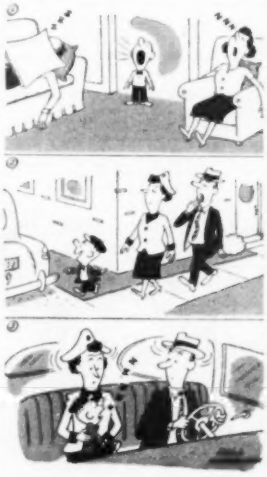

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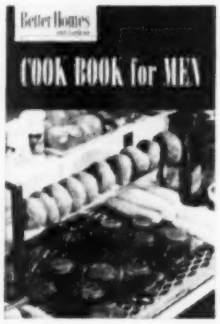

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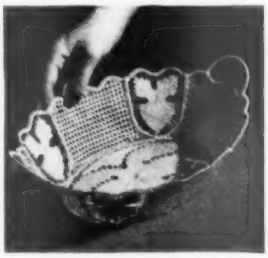

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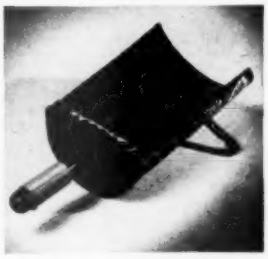

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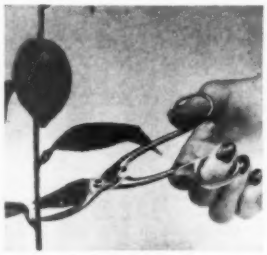

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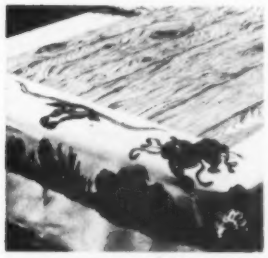

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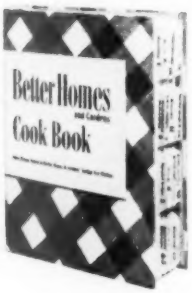

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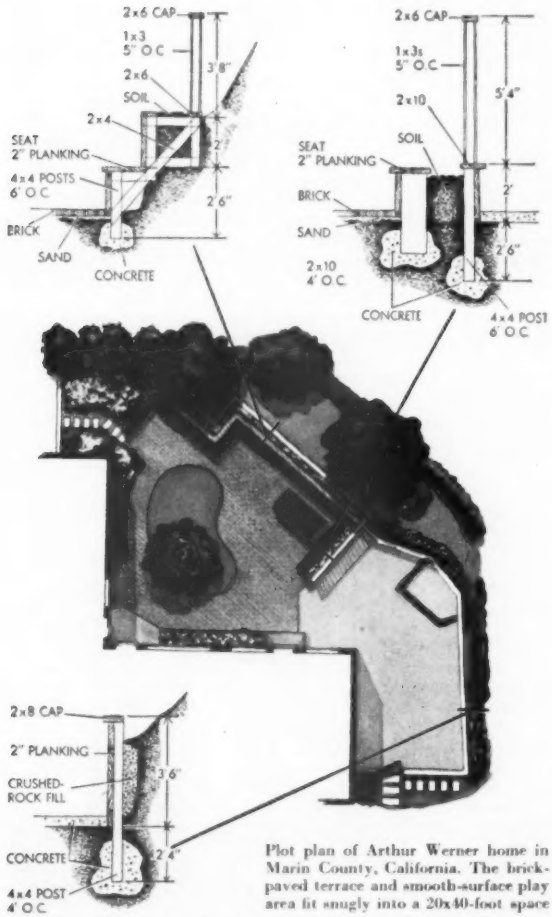
Neat, colorful, practical. That's the happy situation at the Arthur Werner home. Space arrangement and special features—indoors and out—save steps. An electric outlet in partition-screen post makes area usable at night.

The steep hill in the back was the big problem here. It was solved with a hill-holding retaining wall that's low-cost and decorative. A built-in seat along back of the wall is a basic part of design. Easy-to-tend, out-of-the-way planting pockets are spaced for color display.

Wall construction rests on 45-degree 2x4 braces on 6-inch centers. Entire weight of seat, seat back, and soil pockets is carried by these braces that oppose the thrust of the hill. Gravel at bottom of seats and soil pockets insures drainage of water dammed behind wall.

A partition-screen partly separates play space from eating side of terrace. Play area is smooth concrete, the rest brick on sand. Built-in sandbox is a pit with 4 inches of gravel at bottom, topped with 10 inches of sand. Draintile runs under gravel to the street.

See drawings below for construction details.



Plot plan of Arthur Werner home in Marin County, California. The brick-paved terrace and smooth-surface play area fit snugly into a 20x40-foot space

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THE MAN NEXT DOOR

My new, Hawaiian-flowered outdoor shorts created quite a stir, as I expected. But neither they nor my legs were sufficient cause for that grinning neighborhood gathering when I dared mow the lawn in them.

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"The shortest measurement of time known to man," growled Neighbor John Collin, rolling in to the parking lot downtown, "is the interval after the traffic light turns green and before the motorist behind you honks."

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Dragged in dripping from 18 holes of golf, completely hushed. "If your boss asked you to work that hard," commented the missus, "you'd complain to the National Labor Relations Board."

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Whatever became of the miracle chemicals that, in two or three years, were destined to make chiggers, mosquitoes, and flies extinct?

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The current contest in our family is to see who can ignore the muddy car the longest, without being shamed into washing it.

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No father really minds if his wife and daughters squeeze a tooth paste tube at the top. But a little daily grousing about such trivialities at home conditions him for some efficiency-expert alertness at the office.

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Vacation is an interval when a family man can get simultaneously broadened and flattened.

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If a fellow works hard and saves all his money, by the time he is 50, he can afford a home or a heart attack or a horse for his 10-year-old to ride.

I'm always suspicious of a cake or a woman who's decorated too fussily. Usually the decorator has neglected the essential sweetness underneath.

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Like the bride who dropped six cups of rice in the pot for six people, I planted 40 feet of sweetpeas because somebody gave me a lot of seed. Will somebody please come help me spend two hours a day picking all these confounded flowers?

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Nature compensates. In August she throws a lot of heat at us, but she also throws a lot of luscious cantaloupes and watermelons.

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New neighbors are moving in near us, with children; and as I learn via Burton Hillis, Jr., aged 12, they include a silly little sister who plays paper dolls. But her 13-year-old brother adores her, and owns a priceless new catcher's mask, so all are being welcomed.

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These moistly enervating days weed out the weak chrysanthemum growers. Those who valiantly persist in weeding, feeding, and staking until next month, will reap a sudden lavishly beautiful reward. And in that, don't I detect a certain moral for all of life?

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I always win those magazine self-tests on "Can You Manage Your Mate?" Trouble is, so does my wife.

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One of those stray statistics that pop up in the magazines says that more soda pop is being guzzled this year than ever, but that there's a bottle shortage. I don't doubt it. Evidence of a record consumption and shortage is stacked in our garage even now, waiting to be returned to the grocery.

As I understand it, all in the world my children want for a vacation spot is a simple, luxurious dude ranch high in the Rocky Mountains, with an ocean lapping its snowy waves right up to the corrals.

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Vacation reverie: A driver is safest when the roads are dry, but the roads are safest when the driver is dry.

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Our greatest inheritance is not the natural resources, the scientific advances, or the high standard of living. It is the magnificent fact of 150,000,000 people holding the right to govern themselves.

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If you *must* disturb me with world problems this month, don't drag me indoors to some meeting. Just come on out under the honeysuckle arbor where we can relax and talk from hammocks.

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I'm still eccentric enough to like a suit with vest and an extra pair of pants. But I have to look in museums to find them.

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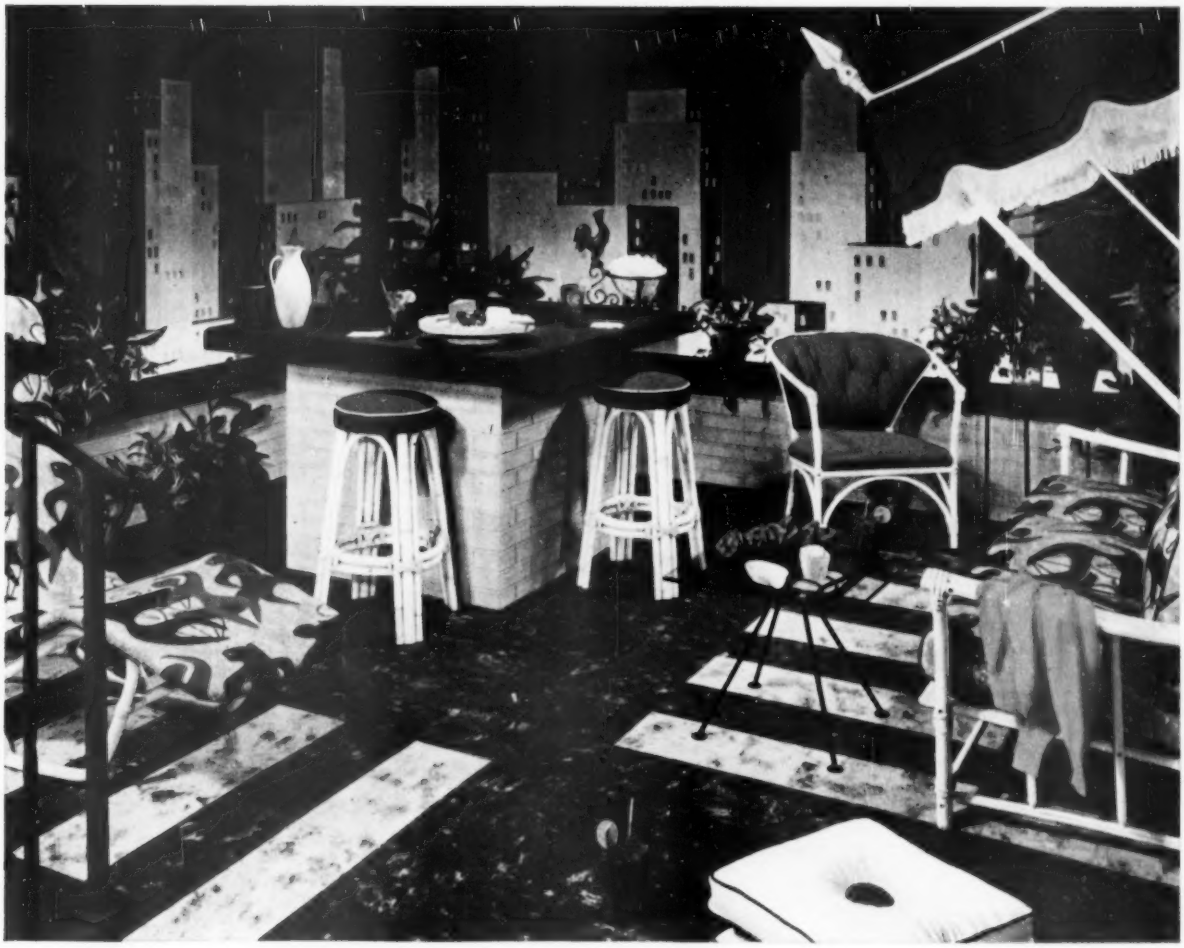
I know our home's a success because: Somebody's sure to hug me when I arrive from town . . . laughter is frequent and genuine; conversation rarely has a sting . . . no front, no bluff, no politics are necessary . . . a framed portrait of The Lord hangs in the entry hall . . . neighbors enter without knocking, and little children roam the house at will . . . "our" this and "our" that is heard more than "my" . . . dog Taffy lets kittens curl up next to her for sleep . . . the lovely Christine I married years ago is even lovelier now and is manager of it all.

Burton Hillis



Roof-top atmosphere—down in the basement

WHEN you plan a basement room, it's the one place in your home where you can give free rein to your imagination—even to creating a roof-top atmosphere by painting a "skyscraper" vista on the walls. A "chimney" bar and indirect lighting behind an imitation roof-top wall will help to complete the illusion. In any basement setting, the fresh colors of Armstrong's Asphalt Tile help to give the room a pleasant atmosphere, but there is a more important reason for choosing this particular floor.

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